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(54) FLEXIBLE BOTTLE WRAPPER FOR PRESERVATION AND DISPENSATION OF AIR SENSITIVE MATERIALS

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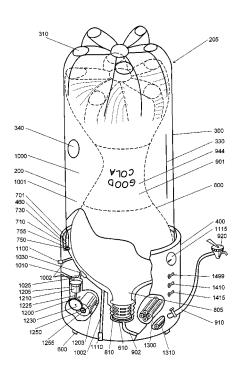
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(57) ABSTRACT

A volumetric displacement device, especially good for preserving and dispensing carbonated beverages has been constructed that is extremely light, small, safe, attractive, easy to use, energy efficient and inexpensive. It can use battery power, has an ovaloid shape, can be constructed of thin flexible plastics, and operates in various positions that eliminate the need for a pickup tube. The controls of the device have been linked both electronically and mechanically for ease of operation.

19 Claims, 32 Drawing Sheets



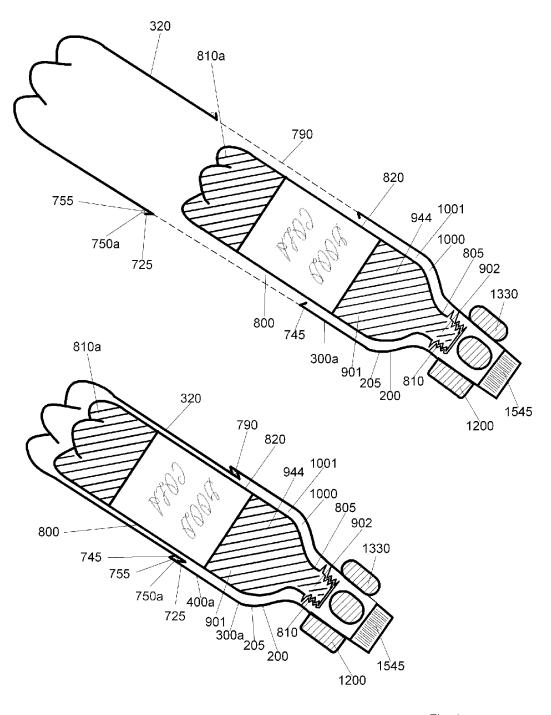


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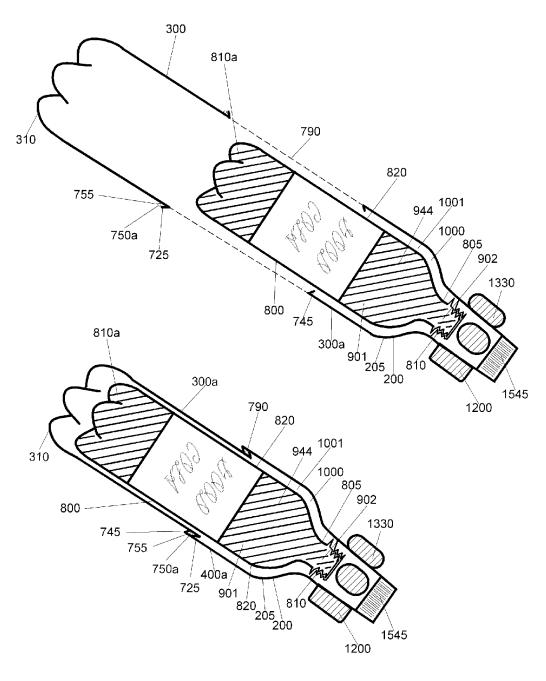
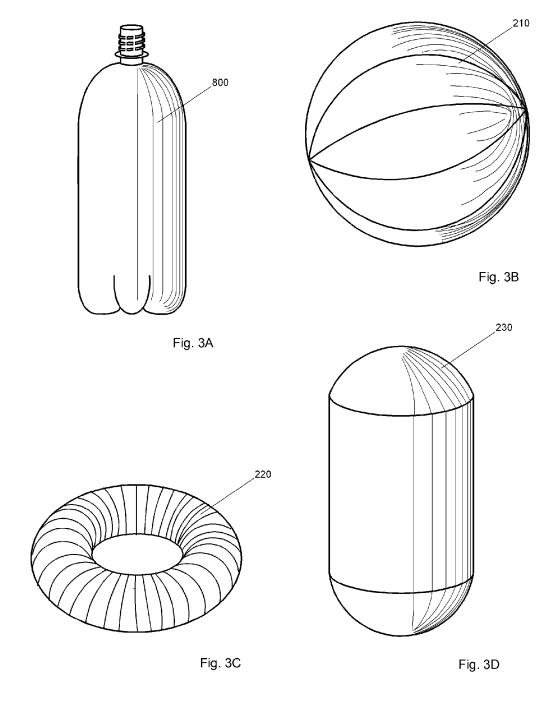


Fig. 2



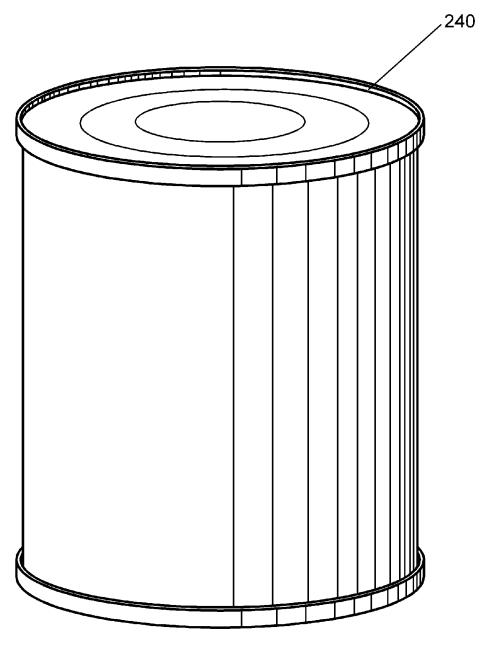
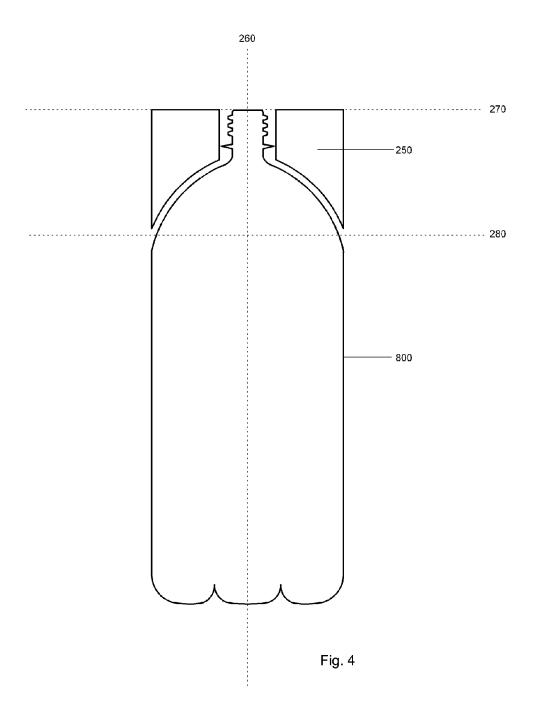
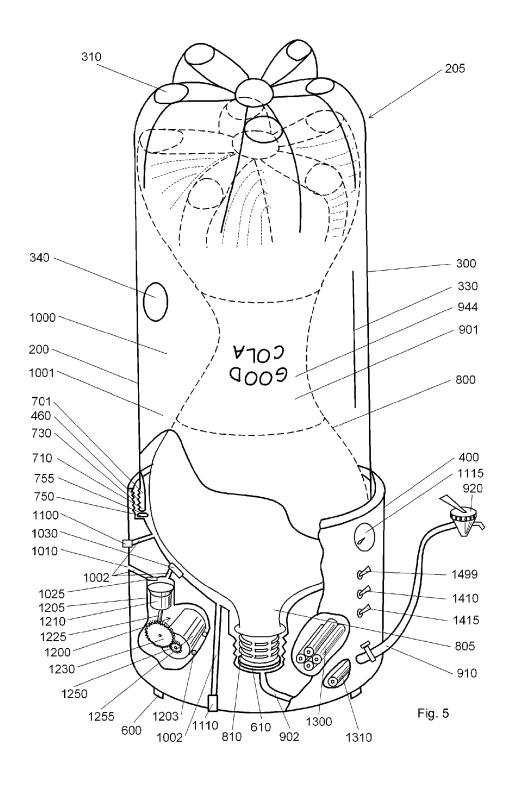
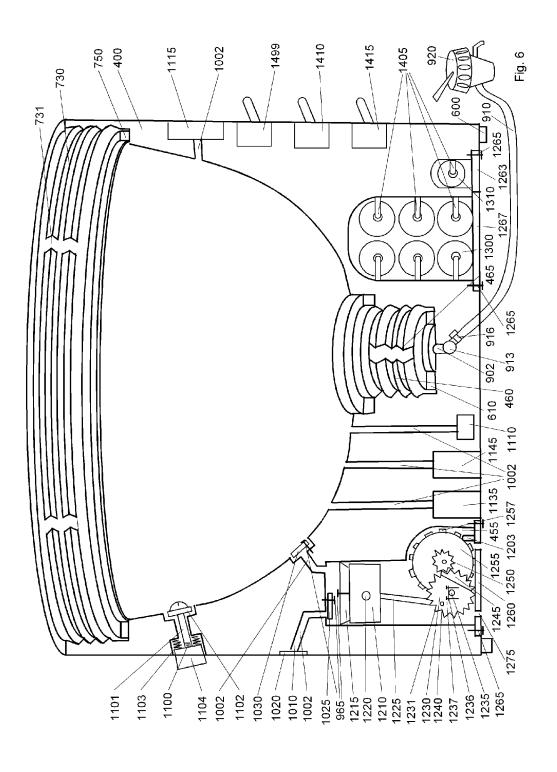


Fig. 3E







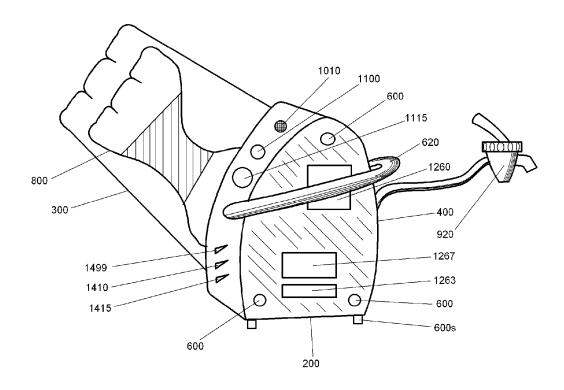
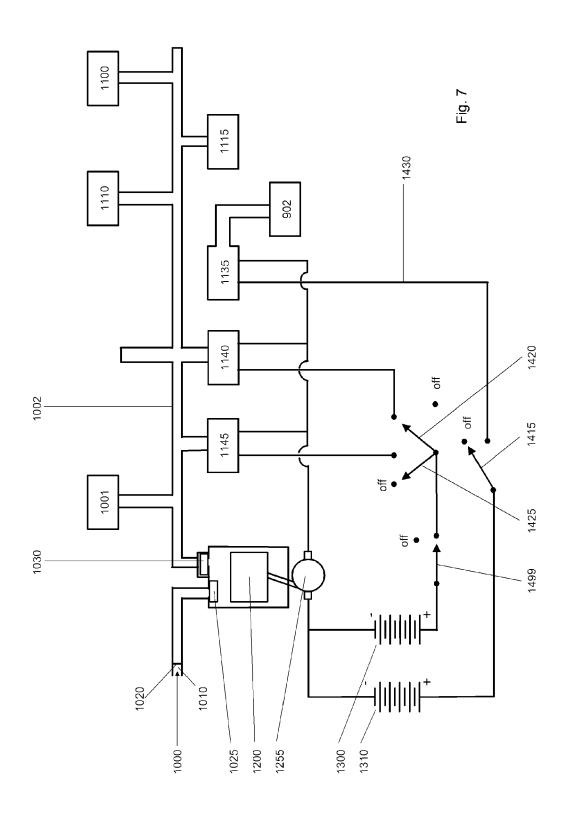
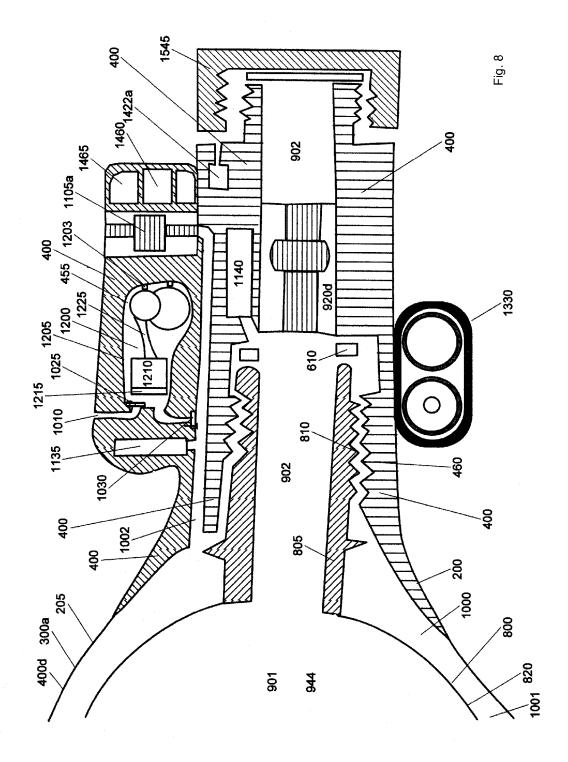
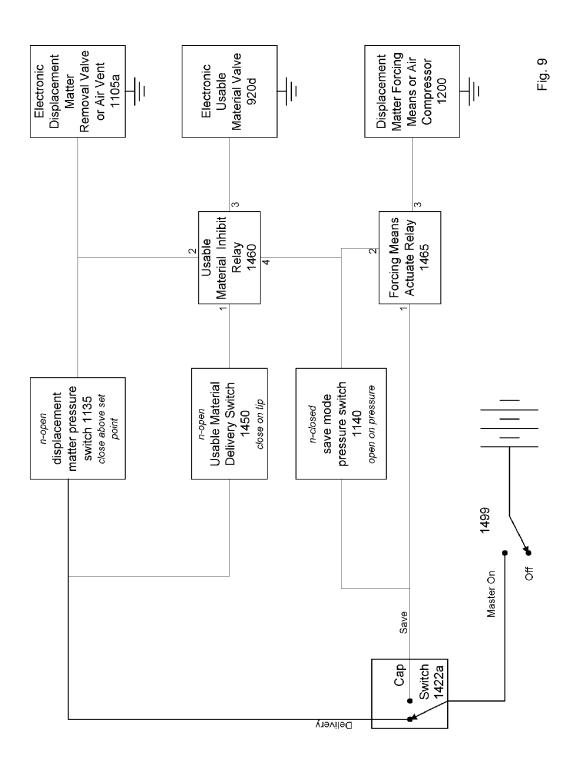
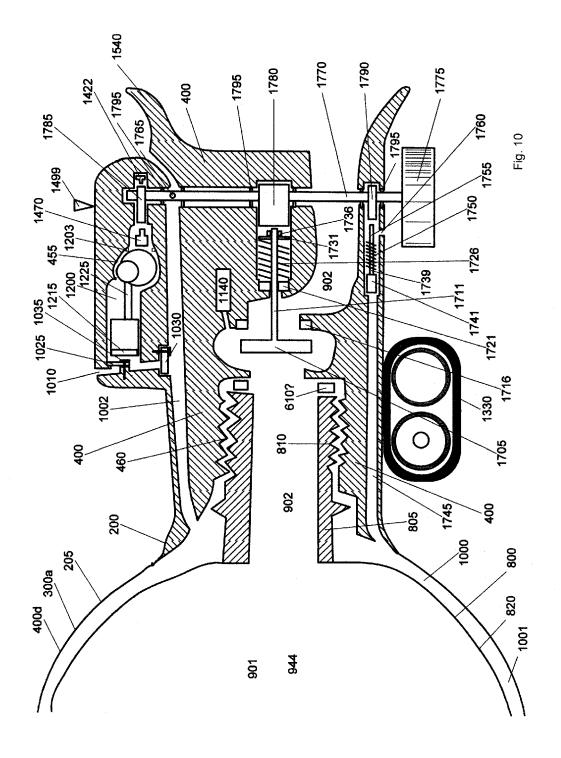


Fig. 6A









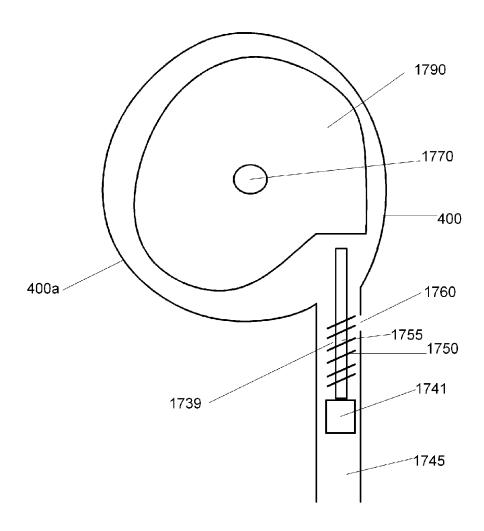
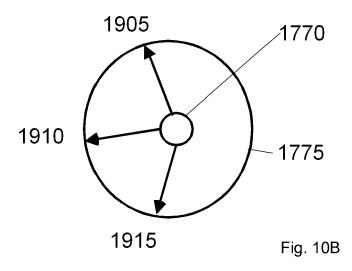
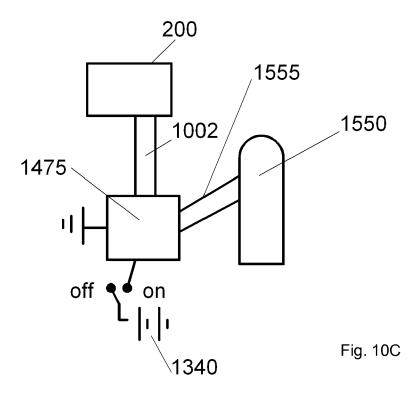
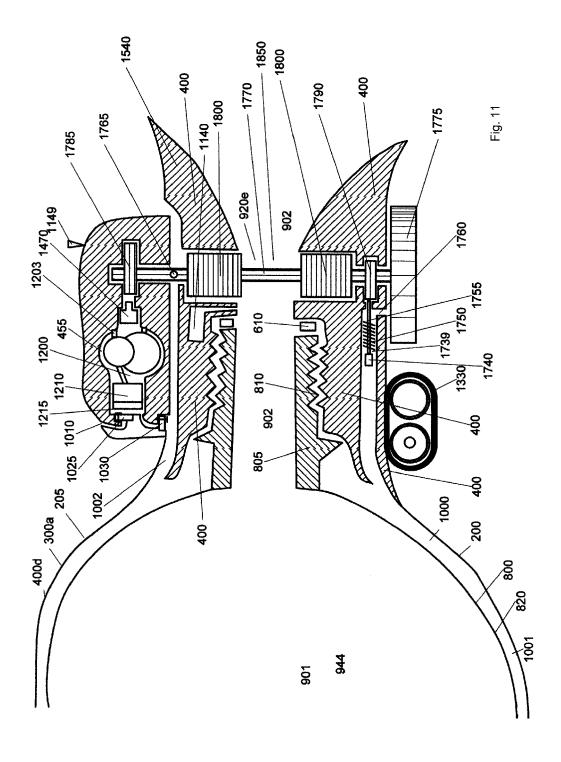


Fig. 10A







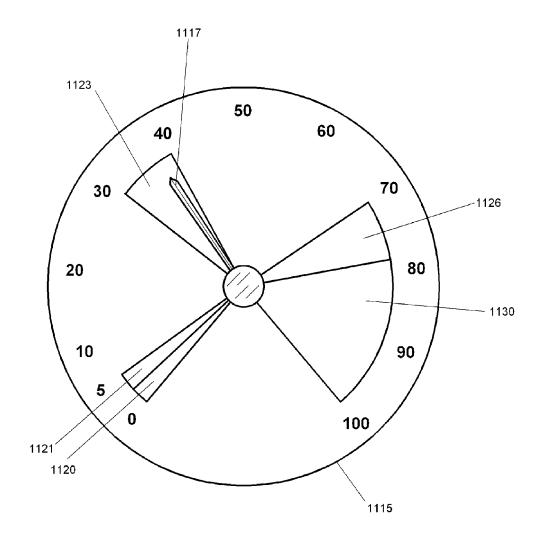
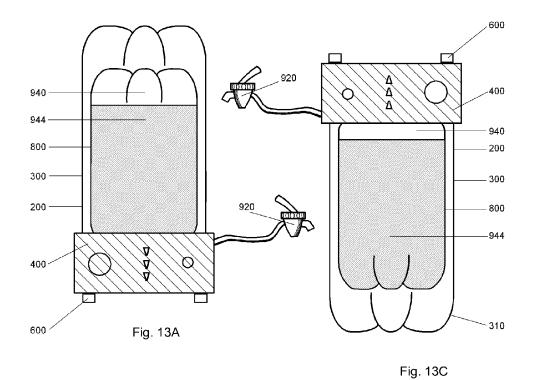


Fig. 12



944 940 300 800 200 400 600 944 920 Fig. 13B

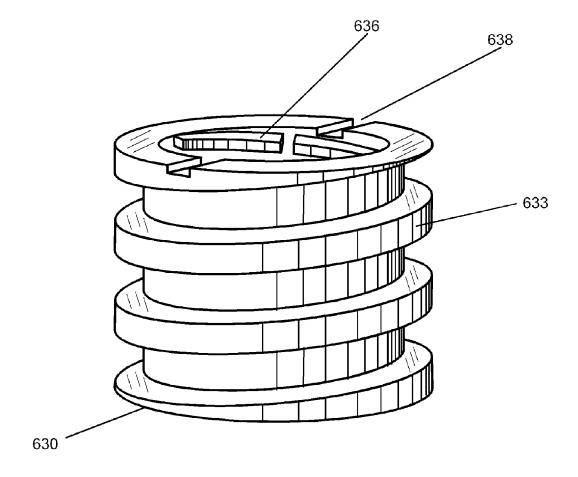
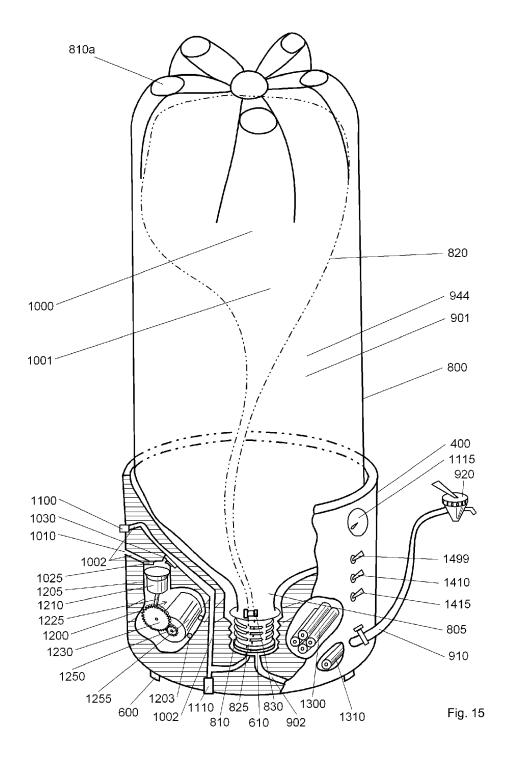
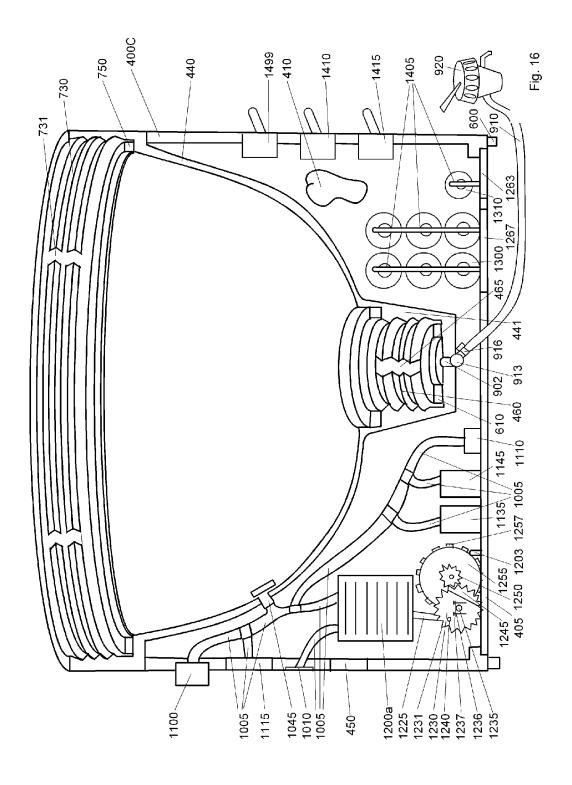


Fig. 14





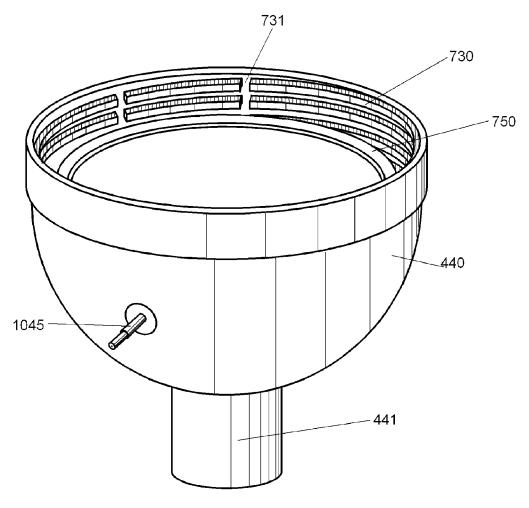


Fig. 16A

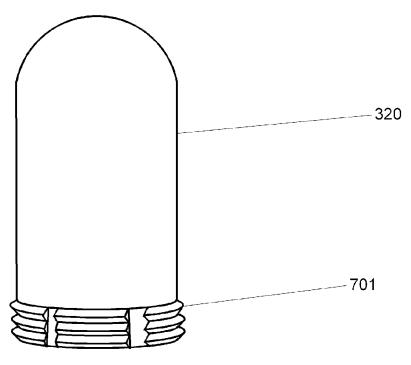


Fig. 17A

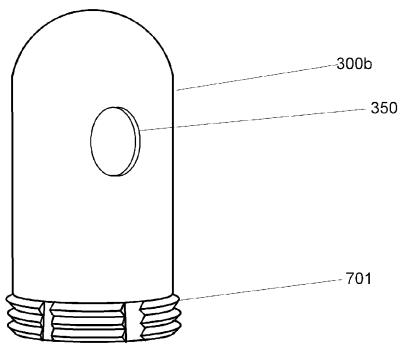
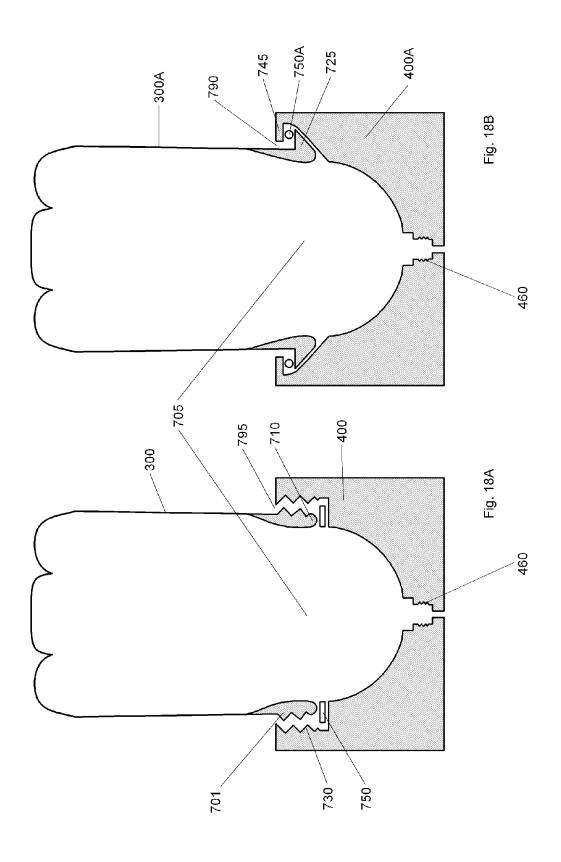
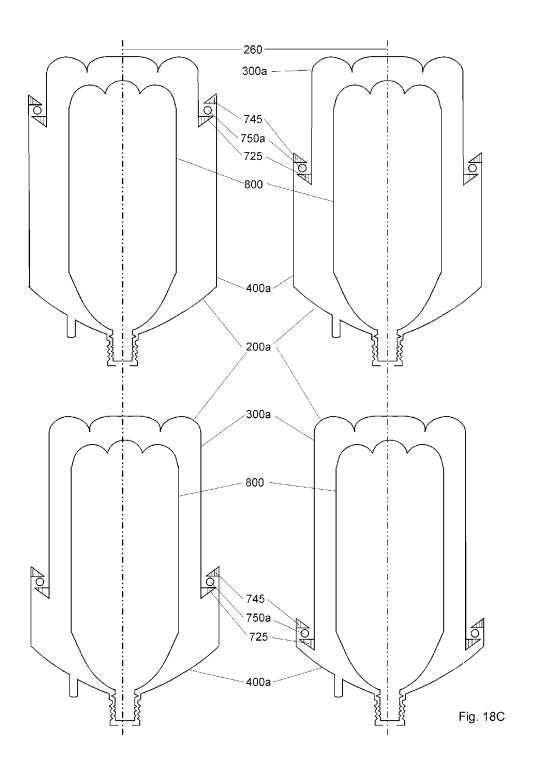
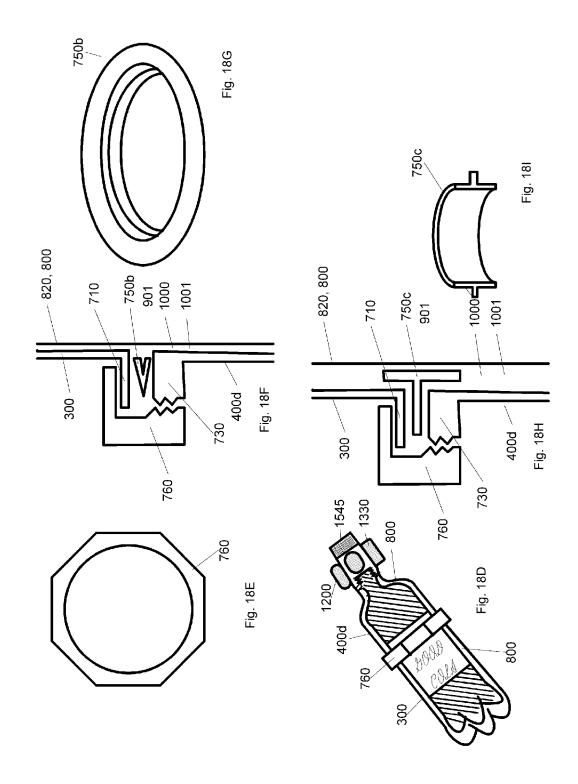


Fig. 17B







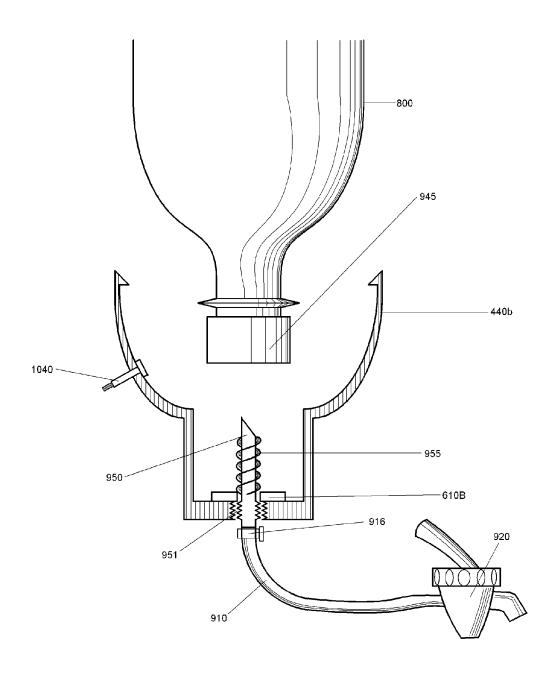
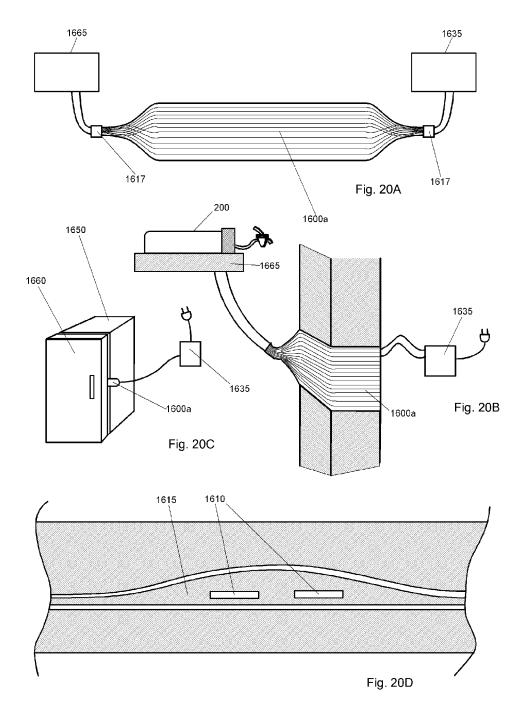


Fig. 19



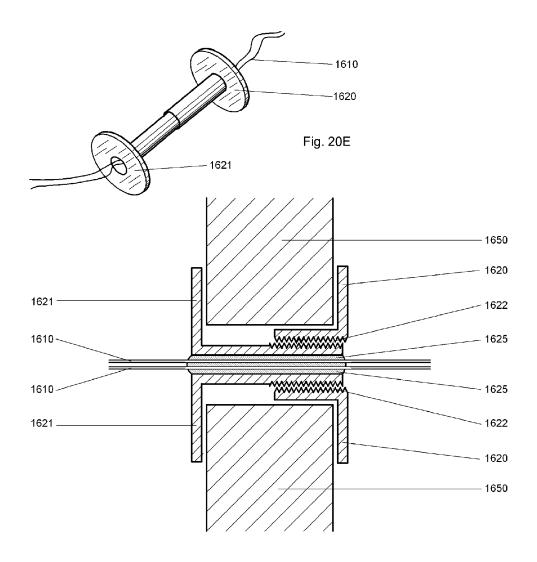
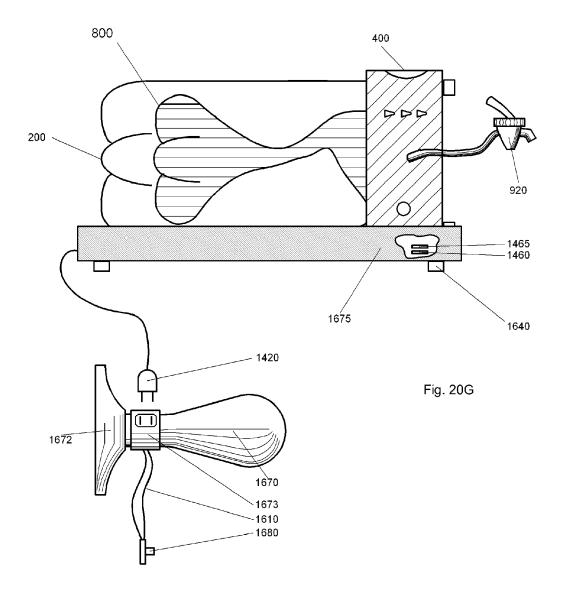
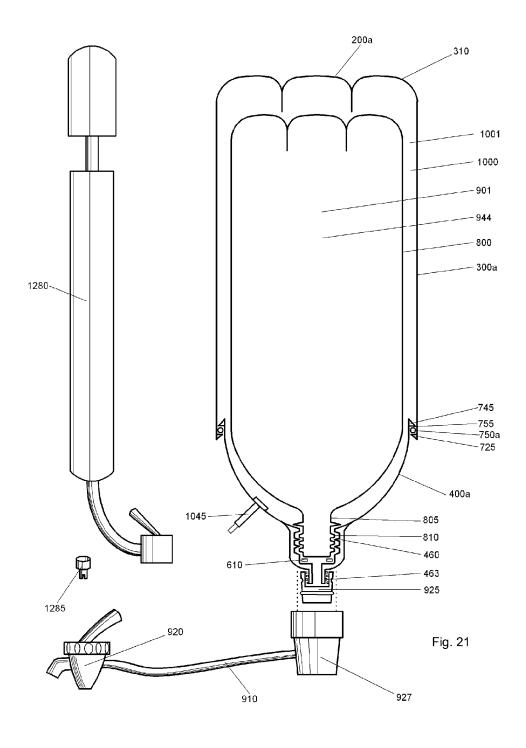
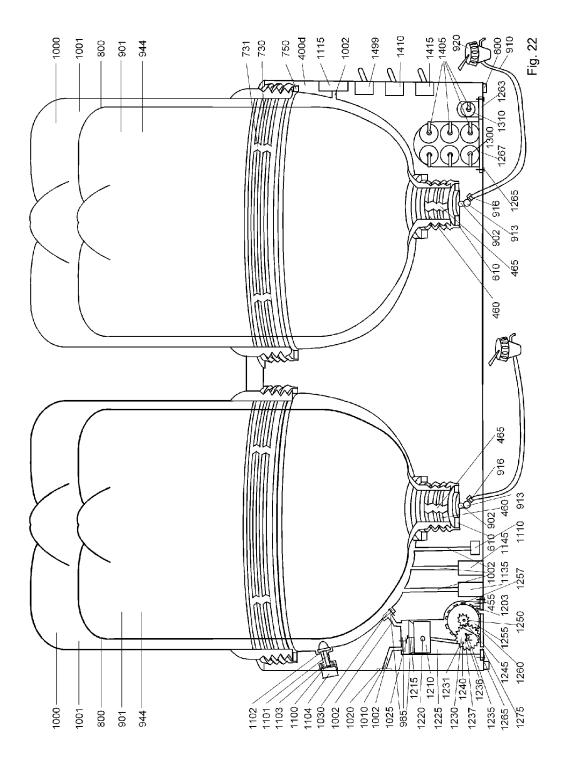


Fig. 20F







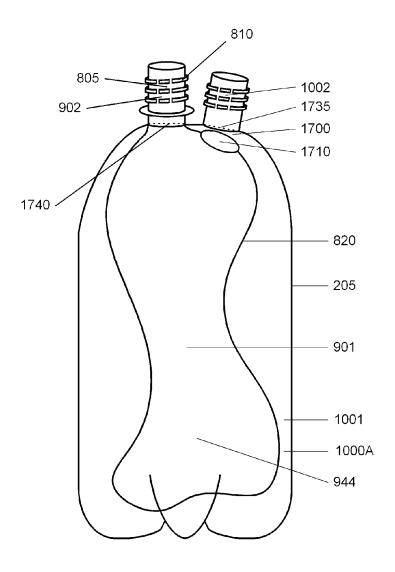


Fig. 23

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FLEXIBLE BOTTLE WRAPPER FOR PRESERVATION AND DISPENSATION OF AIR SENSITIVE MATERIALS

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation-in-part of United States Patent and Trade Office application Ser. No. 10/862,717, filed Jun. 7, 2004, now U.S. Pat. No. 7,597,124 publication number 20050268985, Preservation and dispensation by volumetric displacement utilizing potential energy conversion, by inventor Litto, all of which are incorporated herein by reference. Terms, theory of operation and concepts of preservation and dispensation by volumetric displacement are introduced in U.S. Pat. No. 6,220,311, granted in 2001, to author and inventor, Litto.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

1. Field of Invention

The present invention relates to the field of storing and dispensing materials, with particular application to containers with contents that are partially consumed and particular application to carbonated beverages.

2. Discussions of Prior Art

Containers, when partially emptied of their contents, exhibit a wide range of undesirable characteristics. Unless special and often expensive procedures are used, atmosphere enters the container and pollutes it with undesirable elements 30 such as water vapor, air born contaminates, or unwanted oxygen. Another undesirable characteristic of a partially emptied container is the tendency for the usable material in the container to loose gas, off gassing to the air space left in the container. Off gassing results in premature curing or dam- 35 aging of products. It results in loss of material. One particularly poignant example of off gassing damage is that which occurs to partially consumed portions of effervescent beverages. Effervescent beverages such as soda, champagne, sparkling wines, coolers, beer and the like, have CO2 gas dis-40 solved in them, at pressure. Unfortunately the carbonated beverage is stored under pressure in the bottle and after the bottle is opened, the best part of the gas is free is escape the beverage, and the drink goes flat. Even if the cap is replaced, the gas is free to go into the air above the drink, and the bigger 45 that space gets as the drink is "used up", the more gas can escape and the poorer the drink tastes. A second opening of the container compounds the problem and accelerates the damage to the beverage. Leaving a very small amount of beverage at the bottom of the container, will yield in a day, a 50 drink that is almost devoid of effervescence and foremost people, worthless.

Preserving the unused portion of effervescent beverages has also over time proved to be a difficult problem to address economically. Pumps have been developed which will repressurize opened bottles of effervescent material as exemplified by the device disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. 5,322,094 granted to Janesko, 1994. These cumbersome to use as each time the container is opened, the entire container must be repressurized. In addition, CO2, the gas used for carbonating drinks will transfer, in part, to the air pumped into the container, as the air has too low a partial pressure of CO2 as it is pumped from the atmosphere into the container. The beverage still goes flat despite all the pumping.

The concept of filling a container with alternate material to 65 keep it full and preserve the contents has been embodied in previous patents. Hohl, U.S. Pat. No. 262,773, granted in

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1882, shows an apparatus for insertion into a beer keg, the apparatus having a bladder attached that is filled with water from a reservoir mounted above the keg. The reservoir is utilized to fill the bladder with water as beer is removed from the keg via a tap mounted in the keg. A pipe is fitted between the reservoir and the keg. Water flows down a pipe from the reservoir and fills the bladder. A similar device is described by Kish, U.S. Pat. No. 2,762,534, granted in 1956. Fluid is forced into a pipe which runs into the keg and into a bladder, that pressure causing beer to flow out another pipe with connection to the inside of the beer keg. Valves are used to regulate that pressure flow. This prior art has not seen wide spread utilization because it is expensive to purchase and extremely cumbersome to use especially in the home environment.

An advancement was seen when it was figured out the a conventional PET container could be used as the "bladder". Feldman in U.S. Pat. No. 5,240,144, 1993 describes deforming a conventional PET bottle in a pressurized chamber for the purpose of preservation and dispensation. Using the bottle as the displacement partition is a huge advantage. The beverage is already sold in it, so another bladder does not have to be inserted into the bottle. This reduces contamination threats. It is faster and easier to buy the beverage already in the displacement partition without having to add the partition latter. The described device has some drawbacks. It is relatively complicated, cumbersome and expensive to produce. It requires a refrigeration unit, to keep the beverage cool. It has no means described to prevent the violent delivery of the beverage that would destroy the carbonation. The pressure chamber has thick walls in it's description, and would present safety hazards for some people, such as children to operate. It is not easily transportable, the way a conventional PET bottle of soda is.

Volumetric Displacement devices are more fully described in U.S. Pat. No. 6,220,311, granted in 2001, to author Litto, entitled "Preservation and Dispensation by Volumetric Displacement". Litto introduces the terminology and concepts in U.S. Pat. No. 6,200,311 that are used in this current document. The reader may refer to U.S. Pat. No. 6,200,311 for information concerning the theory of operation and other aspects of Volumetric displacement device's

The various apparatus described by the various inventors above does not, however, contain the advancements that the current work described in this patent embodies. The previously described devices are large, cumbersome, complicated, unsafe, expensive to produce, heavy, hard to use, difficult to design, difficult to manufacture, of poor material, or work poorly in one way or another in relation to the advances described herein.

Current human pumps to pressurize bottles, such as the unit made by Jakari, a finger pump fitting on the top of the container, and pushing compressed air into it, do not protect the soda. The CO2 gas permeates the compressed air, and the soda goes flat.

Many so called soda savers, do not work effectively. They allow much of the CO2 gas to escape.

Many current soda savers need pickup tubes that deliver the soda from the bottom of the container to the top, so as to avoid any CO2 gas that has come out of the soda.

Previous volumetric displacement devices were difficult to operate and non-intuitive. There many controls were difficult for some people to master. You can not see into the old devices, thus you can not easily tell what is in them. This presents a safety hazard in that if the device contains material that the user is allergic to, or should not consume for health reasons, such as sugar to a diabetic, phenylalanine to a Phe-

nylketonuric, the user can not read the label, nor tell if someone else has changed the contents of the volumetric displacement device. The United States government feels that it is so important for a consumer to be able to read the contents, nutritional information and other information concerning consumables that it makes it a law to put this information on the container. Yet this information is concealed in all previous volumetric displacement devices. The user can not easily tell how much of the contained material has been used so as to plan more purchases. The user can not see if the material has off gassed CO2 which gives clues to the operation needs of the device.

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OBJECTS AND ADVANTAGES

Accordingly, a number of advantages are achieved over the prior art.

The device described, called a volumetric displacement device, is small and light. It is designed so that when the bottle $_{20}$ of beverage is placed into it, the advances in technology allow the loaded device to be only a little bigger and heavier than the conventional PET bottle of beverage was in the first place.

The device is battery operated. With this advancement, the "power chord" is cut, so that the device will store in the 25 refrigerator.

The outside container is constructed with technology that is similar to that of a conventional PET bottle. In this manner it is very light weight, very strong, very safe. The container for the beverage can be constructed in a manner that lets it weigh 30 little more than the weight of a conventional PET bottle.

The apparatus that pumps air, is designed to be miniaturized, and thus fits in a space around the neck of the PET bottle. bottle, and only a little bit wider.

This device is so small and light, that a child can carry it around.

The safety of the proven PET container is safe enough so 40 that a child could operate this volumetric displacement device.

With small amounts of material need to make this device, it will be relatively inexpensive to produce.

Versions can be made that need no batteries or electric 45 compressor. Human powered pumps will keep perfect soda. Simplified embodiment add little more than another light container to the existing conventional PET container.

The described volumetric displacement device can be operated so that it loses very little CO2 gas. Any free CO2 gas 50 that comes out of the soda, remains in the device, and can be pushed back into the carbonated beverage, re-carbonating it.

The device has a high pressure save mode for storing soda and rejuvenating it. It also has a low pressure delivery mode that allows the soda to exit the container gently, so as to not 55 make it foam up, and not disturb and thus driving out the CO2

The device is small, light and simple enough that it can be used as a sipping container. As a sipper, soda can be consumed directly from it as the user sips the soda into their mouth.

The described device needs no pick up tube. By utilizing a position of the bottle where the neck is down or horizontal, any free CO2 is near the feet of the bottle and away from the neck. As beverage comes out the neck, the CO2 gas bubble is

The device needs no internal refrigeration capability. It stores in the refrigerator. This conserves energy over the prior

art as there is no extra surface area absorbing heat from the environment with the volumetric displacement device in the refrigerator.

The device is simple to operate. Some embodiment can be configured to operate just like a standard bottle by removing the cap, and pouring the material out, creating an intuitive embodiment.

The device has fail safe operation in the event of over pressurization. Since the construction is so light, there is nothing to "fly" if the container fails. If the container opens, the light weight PET bottle like shapes push air and stop as they are like parachutes in the air.

The device works in a variety of positions. It can work horizontally or vertically. It has feet on three sides, to work in 15 each of three positions. It can work in the refrigerator, and pour while in the refrigerator with the refrigerator door open. It can be stood up next to the milk bottles, or stored horizontally next to the egg cartons. It works in both positions.

The device is very attractive. The clear volumetric displacement device allows the bottles of beverage to be viewed. The user can watch them being crushed. Feed back is provided as to the condition of the apparatus and the beverage stored, as it is all readily viewable. The user can see the contents and especially the label on the bottle. They can read the contents of the ingredient label and other safety messages. The user can read the nutritional content of the beverage.

The described device has a convenient pouring hose that makes it easy to put beverage into a glass without picking up the container. It is easier to pour with the hose nozzle, than to pick up a big bottle of soda. Elderly or otherwise weakened people can pour soda that someone else loaded in the volumetric displacement device, without having to pick up a bottle.

The device allows a user to purchase large conventional 3 ment device is only a tiny bit longer than a conventional PET

35 liter bottles of soda for much less cost than purchasing the same amount of soda in single serving containers. The deposits in container deposit states will be mostly eliminated.

A single volumetric displacement device can work with different sized containers, including 16 oz, 20 oz, 1 liter, 2 liter and 3 liter conventional PET bottles.

Soda can be purchased in containers that can be used both in conventional manners, and in the volumetric displacement device.

The volumetric displacement device described can use rechargeable batteries. Discharged batteries can be exchanged for charged ones. Batteries can be recharged in the volumetric displacement device.

The volumetric displacement device described has an integrated compressor closure assembly, with the compressor built into the same piece of plastic that closes the volumetric displacement device container and the bottle. This is a very simple one piece design that makes the described volumetric displacement device esthetics pleasing, easy to use, and simple in concept to the user.

A method is described to prevent over pressurization of the soda upon installation of a new bottle of soda or other carbonated beverage.

The described volumetric displacement device can be built with far fewer parts than any previously described energy powered volumetric displacement device, and thus is inexpensive to build.

The described volumetric displacement device functions a carbonated beverage saver and dispenser. Carbonated soft drinks in bottles stay carbonated even after the contents of the bottle is partially consumed.

A volumetric displacement device has been constructed that is extremely light, small, safe, attractive, easy to use,

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energy efficient and inexpensive. It can use battery power, has an ovaloid shape, can be constructed of thin plastics, and operates in various positions that eliminate the need for a pickup tube. A consistent problem with soda savers, in that they destroy carbonated beverages by delivering them in a violent manner, has been solved by utilizing a low pressure delivery mode. It can be used for most any carbonated beverage.

Embodiment are presented that operate with minimal control. The various valves, switches, faucets and operational controls are linked to present the fewest possible number of controls. Embodiment is presented with operation similar to a conventional bottle. To operate, the user removes a cap, picks up the bottle and pours, just like a regular bottle of liquid. When done, the user puts the cap on the bottle and puts the bottle into storage. As such, the device is not much more difficult to operate than a conventional bottle of material.

In much the same way as an automatic transmission in a car simplified the operation of the standard transmission, the 20 various control linkages, sensors and actuators of this device simplify its operation over that of the previously known devices.

DRAWINGS

- FIG. 1 shows a volumetric displacement device with a large junction, ovaloid outer containment means.
- FIG. 2 shows a volumetric displacement device with a large junction, ovaloid outer containment means, and outer containment means bell feet.
- FIG. 3a-e shows a series of figures which portray the concept of ovaloid.
- FIG. 4 shows a series of figures which portray the concept of ELB.
- FIG. **5** shows an overview of a volumetric displacement device for storing and dispensing carbonated beverages utilizing a battery, a conventional PET bottle as a displacement partition, an ovaloid container with bell feet, separate delivery and save modes, and an integrated pump and container closure rotating relative to the bottle within the ELB space.
- FIG. 6 shows a more detailed view of the container closure for the volumetric displacement device depicted in FIG. 5.
- FIG. 6a show an exterior view of the container closure 45 depicted in FIG. 6.
- FIG. 7 shows a diagram of the displacement matter passageways and electrical schematics and the user controls.
- FIG. **8** shows a close-up cross sectional view of the volumetric displacement device of figure one, with electronically linked electric valve actuators.
- FIG. 9 shows the electrical schematic linking electronic switches and sensors with automated flow control components for the device of 8.
- FIG. 10 shows a close-up cross sectional view of the volumetric displacement device of figure one, with mechanical linkage of flow control components.
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 m FIG.}\,10a$ shows a cam operated check valve for preventing actuation of compressor and usable material valve when container has excess pressure for these operations.
- FIG. 10b shows the timing of save mode, pressure release point and user delivery point.
- FIG. 10c shows an electronically actuated gas or compressed air supply, to use as displacement matter. FIG. 10b 65 shows an electronically actuated gas or compressed air supply, to use as displacement matter.

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- FIG. 11 shows a close-up cross sectional view of the volumetric displacement device of figure one, with alternate mechanical linkage of flow control components and stopcock type valves.
- FIG. **12** shows a pressure gauge with areas colored that delineate different pressure modes.
- FIG. 13a-c shows Volumetric displacement device's in various positions.
- FIG. 13a shows the neck down position.
- FIG. 13b shows the neck horizontal position.
- FIG. 13c shows the neck up position.
- FIG. 14 shows an adaptor that will allow a 3-liter volumetric displacement device to use smaller bottles.
- FIG. 15 shows an internal displacement partition embodi-
- FIG. 16 shows a cross sectional view of a frame closure using hoses instead of passageways, and thin ovaloid closure lining.
- FIG. **16***a* shows a perspective view of an ovaloid frame closure lining.
 - FIG. 17a shows a domed bell.
- FIG. 17b shows a domed bell made of heavy plastic with a viewing port.
- FIG. **18***a* shows a cross sectional view of the volumetric displacement device to demonstrate a threaded junction between bell and closure.
- FIG. **18***b* shows a cross sectional view of the volumetric displacement device to demonstrate a snap fit junction between bell and closure.
- FIG. **18***c* shows a cross sectional view of the volumetric displacement device of FIG. **21** with junctions in positions translated along longitudinal axis.
- FIG. **18***d* shows a volumetric displacement device, secured with a large nut
- FIG. **18***e* shows a large nut suitable for securing large junctions of volumetric displacement devices.
- FIG. **18***f* shows a cross sectional view of a V-shaped pressure sealing gasket junction.
- FIG. 18g shows a perspective view of a V-shaped gasket cut in half
- FIG. 18h shows a cross sectional and perspective view of a T-shaped pressure sealing gasket junction.
- FIG. **18***i* shows a perspective view of a T-shaped gasket cut in half.
- FIGS. **20***a-g* shows how power could be delivered to a volumetric displacement device from the exterior of a conventional refrigerator to the interior of the refrigerator.
- FIG. 21 shows a volumetric displacement device with a detachable usable material passageway and a detachable displacement matter passageway.
- FIG. 22 shows a volumetric displacement device with two bottles 800 and two bells.
- FIG. 19 shows a cap piercing adaption
- FIG. 23 shows a displacement partition valve.

REFERENCE NUMERALS TO DRAWINGS

60 Container 200

200 volumetric displacement device 200

200a volumetric displacement device 200a, quick fit model with snap fit junction.

- 200i volumetric displacement device 200i, internal displacement partition model.
- 200p cap piercing volumetric displacement device 200p, internal displacement partition model.

7 8 205 container 205, containment means 745 closure snap lip 745 Ovaloid (Concept) 750 bell to closure seal 750 210 beach ball 210 750a bell to closure snap seal 750a 750b bell to closure V-gasket 750b 220 tire inner tube 220, Taurus, donut 230 cylindrical tank with hemispherical ends 230 750c bell to closure T-gasket seal 750c755 seal grease 755 240 tin can 240 790 snap fit junction 790 Elb 250 250 ELB 250 760 bell to closure nut 760 790 snap fit junction 790 260 container longitudinal axis 260 270 container plane A 270 10 795 thread fit junction 795 280 container plane B 280 Displacement Partition 800 Bell 300 Bottle Conventional PET container 300 bell 300 800 bottle 800, conventional PET soda bottle, flexible bottle 300a bell 300a, snap fit bell 805 conventional bottle neck 805 310 bell feet 310, conventional PET bottle bell feet 310 15 810 conventional bottle neck threads 810 320 hemispherical bell 320 810a conventional bottle feet 810a 330 bell break line 330 Interior Displacement Partition 340 bell safety plug 340 820 Displacement partition 820 350 bell viewing port 350 825 Displacement partition bottle pipe barb 825 360 solid block {multiple} 360 20 830 Displacement partition clamp 830 Usable Material 900 Closure 400 400 closure, solid closure 400 901 usable material chamber 901 400a closure 400a, snap fit closure 902 usable material passageway 902 400c closure 400c, frame closure 905 usable material hose 905 400d general closure 400d 906 hose clamp 906 405 closure cover 405, frame closure cover 910 usable material external hose 910 913 usable material hose barb 913 405 frame closure cover 405 410 closure insulation 410 916 hose clamp 916 440 closure lining 440, ovaloid frame closure lining 920 usable material valve 920, conventional carbonated bev-441 closure lining bottle neck thread housing 441 erage delivery valve nozzle 445 closure lining screws 445 920a usable material valve $\{a\}$ 920450 closure viewing port 450 920b bottom usable material delivery nozzle 920b 455 compressor vent groves 455 920c side usable material delivery nozzle 920c460 closure to bottle neck threads 460 920d electronic usable material valve 920d 463 closure to usable material quick fit valve threads 463 35 **920***e* usable material stopcock valve **920***e* 465 closure to bottle vent groves 465 925 usable material passageway quick fit valve 925, {corne-470 closure grips 470 lious keg valve 475 closure flat spot 475, neck horizontal rest 927 usable material passageway quick fit connect 927, {cor-Container Accessories 600 nelious keg style connector} 600 closure feet 600 40 **930** pickup tube **930** 610 closure to bottle neck seal 610 **940** CO2 gas bubble **940** 944 usable material 944, carbonated beverage, soda, beer 620 closure handle 620 630 3 to 2-liter adaptor 630 945 conventional bottle cap 945 633 3 to 2-liter adaptor male threads 633 950 cap piercing member 950 636 3 to 2-liter adaptor female threads 636 45 951 cap piercing member closure threads 951 638 3 to 2-liter screw driver slot 638 955 cap piercing member cap threads 955 640 displacement partition lock blade 640 965 valve screws 965 643 displacement partition lock handle 643 Displacement Matter 1000 646 displacement partition lock screw 646 1000 displacement matter 1000, air 50 1000w displacement matter 1000w, air 650 displacement partition lock spring 650 653 displacement partition lock air purge valve 653 1001 displacement matter chamber 1001 656 displacement partition lock air purge valve seal 656 1002 displacement matter passageway 1002 660 Bell lock blade 660 1005 Displacement matter hose 1005 1010 air inlet 1010 663 Bell lock handle 663 666 Bell lock screw 666 55 1015 displacement matter bypass valve 1015 670 Bell lock spring 670 1020 air inlet filter screen 1020 673 Bell lock air purge valve 673 1025 displacement matter intake valve 1025 676 Bell lock air purge valve seal 676 1030 displacement matter compressor exhaust valve 1030 Junction of Bell and Closure 700 1035 displacement matter valve screw 1035 701 bell to closure threads 701 60 1040 displacement matter passageway quick fit valve 1040, 702 bell junction vent groves 702 compressor style quick connect 705 bell mouth 705, with 4 to 5 inch opening. 1045 displacement matter quick fit valve 1045 conventional 710 bell lip 710 tire valve 725 bell snap lip 725 1085 tire valve depressor 1085 65 Displacement Matter Control 1100

1100 user pressure release assembly 1100

1101 user pressure release valve bolt 1101

730 closure to bell threads 730731 closure junction vent groves 731

735 frame closure to bell threads 735

1460 Usable Material Inhibit Relay 1460 1465 Air Compressor Actuate Relay 1465

1470 Air Compressor Actuation Switch 1470

10 1102 user pressure release valve seal 11021475 displacement matter valve 1475 1103 user pressure release valve spring 1103 1498 offdeliverysave mode toggle switch 1498 1104 user pressure release valve button 1104 1499 onoff power switch 1499 1105 displacement matter removal valve 1105 Other 1500 1105a electronic displacement matter removal valve 1105a Environment 1105b stop cock displacement matter removal valve 1105b 1505 table top 1505 1110 safety pressure release valve 1110 1510 user's hand 1510 1115 pressure gauge 1115 1540 Pour Spout 1540 1117 pressure gauge needle 1117 1545 Closure Cap 1545 1120 no pressure indicator 1120 10 1550 gas or compressed air tank 1550 1121 delivery mode indicator 1121 1555 gas line 1555 1123 save mode indicator 1123 Postmix Delivery 1126 rejuvenate mode indicator 1126 1520 conventional soda gun, fountain 1520 1130 over pressure indicator 1130 1530 post mix syrup container 1530 1135 displacement matter pressure switch 1135 15 Refrigerator Power Access 1140 save mode pressure switch 1140 1600 thru refrigerator conductor 1600 1145 rejuvenate mode pressure switch 1145 1600a thru refrigerator ribbon conductor 1600a 1149 3 way toggle offdeliversave mode switch 1149 1610 electrical conductor 1610 Compressor {Air, Gas} 1200 1615 electrical insulator 1615 1200 compressor assembly 1200 20 **1617** ribbon connector **1617** 1200a conventional compressor assembly 1200a 1620 refrigerator through tube exterior 1620 1203 compressor assembly shock absorber 1203 1621 refrigerator through tube interior 1621 1205 cylinder wall 1205 1622 refrigerator through tube threads 1622 1210 piston 1210 1625 through tube insulation 1625 1215 piston seal, 1215 jakari style piston seal 25 1630 through tube nut 1630 1635 battery charger 1635 1220 piston wrist pin 1220 1640 refrigerator clips 1640 1225 connecting rod 1225 1230 flywheel 1230 1650 refrigerator body 1650 1231 flywheel gear 1231 1655 refrigerator door gasket 1655 **1235** flywheel axel **1235** 30 **1660** refrigerator door **1660** 1665 volumetric displacement device rack 1665 1236 flywheel axel retainer member 1236 1237 flywheel axel retainer member screw 1237 1670 refrigerator light 1670 1240 flywheel pin 1240 1672 refrigerator light socket 1672 1245 flywheel balance 1245 1673 refrigerator light socket adaptor 1673 1250 motor gear 1250 35 1675 rack battery charger 1675 1255 motor, electric motor, energy to mechanical energy 1680 auxiliary door switch 1680 conversion means 1255 1420 112 v electric plug, conventional 112 v electric socket 1257 cooling fan 1257 plug 1420 1260 compressor cover 1260 1460 battery recharge to volumetric displacement contacts 1263 displacement matter battery cover 1263 1460 1265 cover screws 1265 1465 volumetric displacement device to battery charger con-1267 compressor battery cover 1267 tacts 1465 1275 compressor cover air vents 1275 Displacement Partition Valve hand tire pump 1280, conventional hand operated tire pump 1700 displacement partition valve 1700 Stored Energy Means 1300 45 1710 tough spot, thick spot 1710 1300 compressor battery 1300 1715 preform thick spot 1715 1310 displacement matter battery 1310, potential energy 1720 affixed spot 1720 source, compressor battery 1730 manufacturing rod 1730 1735 displacement matter chamber screen, grid 1735 1325 Versapak batteries 1325 1330 Snap on battery pack 1330 50 1740 usable material screen, grid 1740 1340 general battery or power supply 1340 Mechanical Valve Parts and Linkage 1700 Electronics 1400 1705 Usable Material Plate Valve 1705 1405 battery contacts 1405 1711 Valve Stem 1711 1716 Plate Valve Seal 1716 1410 saverejuvenate mode toggle switch 1410 1415 delivery mode power switch 1415 55 1721 Valve Stem Seal 1721 1420 save mode power switch 1420 1726 Valve Spring 1726 1422 savedelivery mode toggle switch 1422 1731 Valve Spring Retainer Washer 1731 1425 rejuvenate mode power switch 1425 1736 Valve Spring Retainer 1736 1430 wire 1430, electrical conductor wire 1739 Check Valve Assembly 1739 1435 voltage controller 1435, 12V electric drill voltage con- 60 17401741 Check Valve Seal 1741 1745 Check Valve Displacement Matter Passageway 1745 1440 use pending sensorswitch 1440 1750 Check Valve Spring 1750 1755 Check Valve Plunger 1755 1445 use pending timer relay 1445 1450 Usable Material Delivery Switch 1450 1760 Check Valve Air Vent 1760

65 1765 Displacement Matter Stopcock Vent Channel 1765

1770 Control Linkage Shaft 1770

1775 Control Knob 1775

1780 Usable Material Valve Actuation Cam 1780

1785 Compressor Actuation Cam 1785

1790 Check Valve Actuation Cam 1790

1795 Control Linkage Shaft Seals 1795

1800 Usable Material Stopcock Shaft 1800

1850 Usable Material Stopcock Vent Channel 1850

1905 Save Mode Point 1905

1910 Check Valve Hold and Displacement Matter Removal Cam Point 1910

1915 Usable Material Delivery, Pour, Usable Material and ¹⁰ Compressor Actuation Point 1915

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Terminology

Volumetric Displacement Device Volumetric Displacement Device

Is generally defined as a specialized holding apparatus for $_{20}$ generally fluid matter that in general has two or more containment partitions. The outer partition forms a container that for the purposes of the apparatus described here in, will generally have a fixed internal volume. Located within the container will be found the second containment partition, 25 generally of a flexible material, and referred to as the displacement partition. The containment partition within a containment partition structure or Displacement partition within a container forms two distinct chambers. A volumetric displacement device has a means for bi-directional transfer of displacement matter between the environment and one of the chambers that chamber by definition becoming the Displacement matter chamber, and a means for bi-directional transfer of usable material between the other chamber and the environment that chamber by definition becoming the usable material chamber.

In general, the volumetric displacement device allows a portion of the usable material to be removed from the volumetric displacement device, and another portion of Displacement matter to be put into the volumetric displacement device. In this manner the volumetric displacement device can generally be kept in a full fill state where the entire volume of the container is substantially filled with the combination of displacement matter in the displacement matter 45 chamber and usable material in the usable material chamber. Variable Fill State Device, Soda Saver

Generally refers to embodiment of the invention described in this application, and are versions of Volumetric displacement device's

Container

The outer containment means of a volumetric displacement device.

Pressure Chamber

A container with a means for bi-directional transfer of 55 material between itself and the environment and where the internal pressure of the container can be set to a pressure different from that of the environment external to the chamber.

Environment

Generally refers to the universe external to the container, typically atmospheric air although other environments are possible.

Contents

Generally refers to the sum of all matter in the container 65 including usable material, displacement matter, and the displacement partition.

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Immiscible

Generally refers to two or more materials, matters which for the most part do not mix and do not significantly react with each other.

Rigio

Generally refers to matter, material used either as contents or in structure, that does not deform. Flexible

Generally refers to matter, material used either as contents or in structure, that will bend, but that does not stretch appreciably. A flexible container has relevance to the volumetric displacement device because it has a maximum internal volume which, unless the container is deformed by an external force, will remain constant. For example, a one liter plastic soda bottle will not attain an internal volume greater then one liter regardless of the internal pressure applied to it, within the pressure limits that deform the plastic, although squeezing the bottle could diminish the volume. A toothpaste tube when squeezed has a diminished volume, which is what causes the paste to be dispensed.

20 Elasti

Generally refers to matter, material either as contents or in structure, that will change size under tension, stress or pressure. Containers made of elastic material will not have a fixed volume.

5 Non-Elastic

Generally refers to matter, material that will not stretch, and can be either rigid or flexible.

Non-Rigid Solid

Generally refers to matter, material in the solid phase that is broken up, such as grains, toasted cereals, potato chips, spices, crushed ice or powders.

Multiple Components

Generally refers to matter, material that is made up of two or more different matters or materials, either in the same physical state or in different physical states, those states being liquid, gas, and solid.

Effervescent Liquid

Generally refers to a liquid that has a gas, typically CO2, dissolved in it.

40 Gas Impermeable

Generally refers to material, typically forming the displacement partition, which generally can not be penetrated by gas, or that slows the transfer of gas to a degree from one side of the material to the other side of the material. A gas impermeable partition serves as a barrier to the movement of gas across that partition.

Metering

Generally refers to the process of measuring out a specific amount of material.

50 Bi-Directional Transfer

To transfer in a Bi-directional Manner generally refers to moving material from one location to another in either direction. Bi-directional transfer of usable material between container and environment would allow for both putting usable material into a container and taking it out of a container.

Valved Flow Control

Generally refers to the ability to variably regulate the flow of material through a point, such control being exemplified generally by the use of a valve, tap, or faucet.

Directional Flow Control

Refers to the ability to direct the flow of a material through material casings such as pipes, tubes or fluid reservoirs which are generally external to the container. "Directional flow control" devices generally direct the flow of material as input or output to the displacement matter chamber or the usable material chamber by physically connecting, directly or indirectly, to the container.

Environmentally Sensitive

Generally refers to usable material or environment that benefits from the condition of the usable material being isolated from the environment, which can be the atmosphere for example, either because the environment is damaged by contact with the usable material, or the usable material is damaged by contact with the environment. The environment can be other baths such as water, or space. By way of illustration, volatile toxic chemicals pollute our atmosphere and are said to be "environmentally sensitive". Air sensitive usable material can be damaged by exposure to air in the atmosphere and thus the air sensitive usable material is also said to be "environmentally sensitive".

Usable Material

The material that is being preserved and dispensed. Frequently this will be a carbonated beverage such as Soda or Beer, but can include and carbonated beverage or other fluid matter. Generally refers to the typically valuable contents of the container that are generally usable and consumed.

Usable Material Chamber

Generally refers to the region within the container that contains the usable material.

Usable Material Passageway

A passageway that is used to conduct usable material from one place to another. Usable Material valve, faucet, nozzle

A valve that restricts the flow of usable material in one or both directions in a usable material passageway.

Displacement Matter

Generally refers to matter that is added to the contents of the container for the purpose of altering the characteristics of 30 the container's fill state, generally in such a manner so as to not contaminate the usable material.

Displacement Matter Chamber

Generally refers to the region within the container that contains the displacement matter.

Displacement Matter Passageway

A passageway that is used to conduct displacement matter from one place to another.

Displacement Matter Valve

A valve that restricts the flow of displacement matter in one 40 or both directions in a displacement matter passageway. Displacement Partition

Generally refers to a partition that physically separates the container into regions, one that contains the displacement matter, and one that contains the usable material, hereby 45 referred to as the displacement matter chamber and the usable material chamber, respectively. "Mobile" refers to the displacement partition that can move relative to the container. Such motion generally could cause a change in the volume of the displacement matter chamber and the usable material 50 chamber, while the overall volume of the container remained constant.

Save Mode

Where the pressure in the volumetric displacement device is enough to preserve the carbonation in the carbonated beverage. Typically 37 psi or above for soda and 10 psi for beer. Delivery Mode

Where the pressure in the volumetric displacement device is enough to drive the usable material from the volumetric displacement device, but not enough to damage a carbonated 60 beverage as it exits the volumetric displacement device. Typically 15 inches of water is used as the pressure.

Rejuvenate Mode.

Where the pressure in the volumetric displacement device is significantly higher than that of save mode. Typically 50 psi for soda and 20 psi for beer. This extra pressure is used to drive free CO2 in the bottle head space back into the beverage.

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Rejuvenation can be hastened with jostling, jogging, vibrating or shaking the volumetric displacement device in some manner.

External Displacement Matter Chamber

A volumetric displacement device where the usable material chamber 901 is inside the displacement matter chamber. A conventional bottle in a compression chamber is a typical external displacement matter chamber

Internal Displacement Matter Chamber

A volumetric displacement device where the displacement matter chamber is inside the usable material chamber 901. A bag in a conventional bottle is a typical internal displacement matter chamber application

Ovaloid

An ovaloid shape, Is defined as a shape assumed by a hollow object, that object if formed from a relatively flexible material, that is relatively inelastic, when said hollowness is sealed to allow the hollowness to be pressurized, and pressur-20 ized sufficiently to blow out the object to the point where it will not reasonably deform further, but will instead rupture under sufficient pressure. FIG. 3 a-e shows some ovaloid and non-ovaloid shapes. A conventional soda bottle, FIG. 3a is in an ovaloid shape in that it is relatively thin, yet internal pressure relative to the environment will not cause it to deform. This is a very complex shape with feet and all that was developed specifically for carbonated beverages, and specifically to be non-expanding when made of thin material. The feet are particularly well designed to prevent expansion although there is some liberty with thicker plastic in the feet. A round beach ball or sphere, FIG. 3b is an optimal ovaloid shape. A tire inner tube or torus FIG. 3c is a donut shape which by this definition is ovaloid. A hollow cylinder r filled with air, with hemispherical ends on it, similar to what a conventional soda bottle FIG. 3d is, is relatively ovaloid. A hollow cylinder with flat bottoms on the container, such as a common food storage can FIG. 3e, is not ovaloid because, if the internal air pressure in the cylinder is raised and the material of the container is relatively thin, the flat bottom and top of the container will deform as they push and move in an outward direction. Internal pressure deforms this shape unacceptably and will cause it to fail in the described application. The non-ovaloid deformed container does move towards becoming an ovaloid shape when internal pressure is applied. If the material of the top and bottom of the flat ended cylinder is relatively brittle, under sufficient pressure it will bend and break at pressure far below what an ovaloid container of similar construction would generally tolerate. Thin containers when pressurized move towards ovaloid shapes due to the simple laws of physics. It has not been recognized that the outer container for a volumetric displacement device, {especially ones that contain a displacement partition which in turn has the usable material residing generally with in the displacement partition, and especially those displacement partition that function as bottles}, should be an ovaloid shape. It has not been recognized, that, incorporating an ovaloid shape to the container, allows an extremely thin and light weight outer container to be achieved. With this ovaloid shape, the container can be produced with relatively the same characteristics as conventional thin walled containers, especially, for example, PET containers. This means that the costs, features, clarity, thinness, weight, safety and other functionality commonly associated with what are generally considered disposable containers, can now be associated with the container for a volumetric displacement device. Common blow molding techniques, and stretch blow molding techniques can be used to make the container parts. Techniques and materials

used to make conventional PET containers are applicable to the container construction. Other plastics and materials apply as well.

An ovaloid shape is a hollow walled container form that is not substantially deformable by internal pressurization and is non-expanding if the material composing the shape is inelastic and even if the material composing the shape is flexible. In short, a relatively thin walled, flexible, hollow ovaloid object will generally not deform when internal pressure is applied to that object, and the thin walls of the object will not move outwardly relative to the center of the object.

ELB: External Lip to Body Space.

Essentially, a common bottle, such as a PET soda bottle, has a cylindrical body of relatively fixed radius, and a neck 15 extension leading to the opening of the bottle, topped with a lip. The cylindrical space above the body of the bottle, outside the bottle and neck, and below the lip, and within a radius that is equal to the radius of body of the bottle. This is the space outside the bottle, that would generally be taken up in the 20 refrigerator, because of the neck, but is somewhat unusable for other things besides the container. More formally, given a conventional PET bottle container sitting on a table with cylindrical walls, said container having a plane C that runs through it's base, that coincides with the top surface of the 25 table it is sitting on, and a plane B through the highest point on the bottle that is still at the widest radius of the body Plane B being parallel to Plane C and a Plain A which runs through the uppermost lip of the neck opening of the container, plain A being parallel to Plane B and C, The ELB resides between 30 Plane A and B. Furthermore, the outer walls of the main body of the container form a cylinder. This cylinder is of the same radius as the body. If the walls of the cylinder were extended in an upward direction, perpendicular to Plane A, B and C, until the walls met plane A, Then the outermost portion of the 35 imaginary extended wall between Plane A and Plane B Defines the outer edge of the cylindrical ELB space. Any space within or part of the container is also removed from the defined ELB space. Thus the cylindrical ELB space has a radius that is equal to the radius of the container body.

ELB or container neck lip to container body space is defined, which for a conventional PET carbonated soft drink container of year 2004, would be that space that lies generally between a neck lip plane, which is a plane drawn through the bottle neck lip, that plane being parallel to the container 45 bottom plane that runs roughly tangentially to the container at the points the container would touch a table top when that container is sitting upright on that table top, and a top of container fat body plane that runs roughly parallel to the neck lip plane, runs also through the widest part of the container in 50 that parallel orientation, and is the plane satisfying these requirements that is farthermost from the container bottom plane, and said container neck lip to container body space further delineated by the cylinder that is perpendicular to the neck lip plane, the container fat body plane, and the container 55 body plane, and that is the same diameter as the fattest part of the container body, and centered such that the longitudinal axis of the cylinder lies on the longitudinal axis of the container, both axis being perpendicular to the container neck plane, the container fat body plane, and the container bottom 60 plane whereby, the container takes little more height and width that a conventional bottle container when stored in a refrigerator for example.

Free CO2

CO2 that is not in the beverage, having been released from 65 the beverage or added to the head space by a CO2 auxiliary system.

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Container

Generally, a containment device for displacement matter 1000 or usable material 944 or a combination of both, that surrounds a flexible displacement partition, so that pressure my be applied to the contents within. Generally refers to the outer storage vessel of a volumetric displacement device that holds contents.

Bottle

A bottle for the purpose of the document generally refers to a conventional flexible plastic container such as a conventional PET CSD container. A bottle is a container that has the property that it can stand up on a table when open without disgorging its contents, and it can be poured from. Conventional beverage bottles have caps. {note that for the purpose of this definition, container is used as it is in the beverage industry. Otherwise container has a slightly different meaning as defined above.

Fill State

Generally refers to the nature of the container's contents, generally in terms of the amount of material and or matter the container holds. For example a container may be thought of as full, partially full, or empty. The word generally is used because scientifically speaking, the container is always full of something. For example, when describing a container containing half air and half water by volume, the container is said to be, and behaves as if, it were half full. Filling a container, in this instance, generally means to replace something not wanted in the container, that came into the container from the environment (air for example), with something that is more desirable, such as more usable material or displacement matter.

Full Fill State

A container that is full in any combination by the sum of the displacement matter 1000 and the usable material 944 contained within. The container generally does not contain unpressured air.

Generally refers to a condition of a container where the void of the container is devoid of unwanted matter. In general, the container is said to have a "full fill state" when for practical purposes, the container is full of either usable material or displacement matter, the latter which may be contained in a displacement matter chamber within the container. In general, the container will hold no more at this point.

Bi-directional Transfer

Transferred in a Bi-directional Manner" generally refers to moving material from one location to another in either direction. Bi-directional transfer of usable material between container and environment would allow for both putting usable material into a container and taking it out of a container.

Longitudinal Axis of Container

When the container is generally cylindrical, and considering a conventional bottle sitting on a table in upright position, there is a line running perpendicular to the table, and through the center of the container from it's base, through the center of it's neck opening. The walls of a conventional PET container would be equidistant from this longitudinal axis. See FIG. 4. Quick Release

Generally refers to standard line coupling techniques for pressure fittings. Can be screw together, can be conventional "quick release" air fitting adapters commonly found on compressed air lines, can be tire valve type arrangements where the compressor hose presses on a fitting as found on various automobile or bicycle tires. Can be the type of release typically found in soda and beer applications, twist on, or to Cornelious kegs. Can be invented to suit this application more.

Neck Down Position

refers to a volumetric displacement device that is in such a position that the opening to the displacement partition facing down. If the displacement partition where a bottle, then its neck would be pointing down. See FIG. 13a.

Neck Horizontal Position

refers to a volumetric displacement device that is in such a position that the opening to the displacement partition facing sideways. If the displacement partition where a bottle, then its neck would be pointing sideways. See FIG. 13b.

Neck Up Position

refers to a volumetric displacement device that is in such a position that the opening to the displacement partition facing up. If the displacement partition where a bottle, then its neck would be pointing up. See FIG. ${\bf 13}c$.

Rejuvenate

The process of putting CO2 gas back into soda that has gone flat. Generally, free CO2 is used.

Power Source

Generally a source of energy for the compressor. It may be ²⁰ electricity, an electric battery, alternate electricity source, compressed gas, stored mechanical energy as in a compressed spring, human muscle power, or any other means of supplying energy.

Flow Control Components

As a group, parts of the volumetric displacement device that control the flow of fluid and gas about the device including valves, switches and sensors.

Displacement Matter Forcing Means

Displacement matter can be forced with a pump, such as an ³⁰ air compressor, but other means to force are included such as a tank of compressed gas or air, or a spigot of water.

Preferred Embodiment

External Displacement Matter Chamber, Battery Powered Volumetric Displacement Device with an Integrated Closure and Compressor Assembly, an Ovaloid Container, Separate Delivery and Save Modes and Bell Feet

Overview of PREFERRED volumetric displacement device The PREFERRED embodiment of a volumetric displacement device 200 is depicted in FIGS. 1, 2, 8 and 9. An ovaloid container 205, containment means is shown and is most generally comprised of a bell 300a and a closure 400a. This container can serve as a pressure chamber. This container is used to house a variety of parts needed for the volumetric displacement device 200 to function, and a bottle 800, flexible bottle, of usable material 944, Soda, Beer or other carbonated 50 beverage.

A flexible bell **300** is formed from PET plastic in much the same manner as a conventional PET carbonated beverage bottle is formed. The bell has an opening large enough to accommodate either a 2 or a 3 liter bottle full of beverage, 55 bell, having an opening diameter generally equal to or larger than 4 inches or 5 inches respectively. The bell has formed at its opening, a bell snap lip **725**, which are used to secure the bell to a closure **400**, which in the PREFERRED embodiment is thin PET, coupled with a solid block of plastic with portions removed to form cavities and passageways in the block to house parts and material needed to make the volumetric displacement device work.

The closure has formed into its plastic a closure snap lip **745**, which allows the closure to attach to the bell **300***a*. 65 Sandwiched between the bell snap lip **725** and the closure snap lip **745** is a bell to closure snap seal **750***a* formed from a

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rubber like material which can compress to accomplish the tight seal. Seal grease **755** is employed on both sides of the bell to closure seal **750**, to make a better seal.

The closure also has bottle to neck threads **460** formed which allows the closure to securely attach to the bottle **800**. To accomplish sealing between bottle and closure, a closure to bottle neck seal **610**, of a rubbery compressible material is used. Seal grease **755**, is employed on both sides of the closure to bottle neck seal **610**, to make a better seal.

Inside the container 205 screwed into the closure is a bottle 800, in this case a conventional PET soda bottle with a conventional bottle neck 805, and conventional bottle neck threads 810. The bottle 800 contains usable material 944, which can be carbonated beverage, soda, beer or any fluid matter

Usable material **944** exits the volumetric displacement device **200** through a usable material passageway **902**, bored or formed by other means in the closure **400**. A usable material external hose **910**, runs between the usable material passageway **902** and a usable material valve **920**, which is a conventional carbonated beverage delivery valve nozzle.

A displacement matter chamber 1001, is delineated that lies within the container 205 and outside the bottle 800. Connecting the displacement matter chamber with the environment and the various components that need to communicate with the displacement matter chamber 1001 is the displacement matter passageway 1002. At one end of the displacement matter passageway is an air inlet 1010, which leads to a displacement matter intake valve 1025. After displacement matter 1000, air goes through the displacement matter intake valve 1025, it goes into the compressor cylinder 1205. The air then follows the placement matter passageway 1002 to the displacement matter compressor exhaust valve 1030, and into the displacement matter chamber 1001. Vari-35 ous portions of the displacement matter passageway lead to various components including the electronic displacement matter removal valve 1105a, which allows for the release of compressed air and thus internal pressure in the displacement matter chamber 1001, displacement matter pressure switch 1135 which measures the pressure in the displacement matter chamber 1001, and to a compressor assembly 1200. Parts of the compressor assembly 1200, are shown in FIG. 5, which is separated from the closure 400 with a series of compressor assembly shock absorbers 1203. The compressor assembly 1200 is relatively standard having a piston 1210, a connecting rod 1225, a flywheel 1230, motor gear 1250, motor 1255, electric motor, energy to mechanical energy conversion means, and a compressor battery 1300, delivery mode battery, electrical battery, potential energy source, to drive the compressor assembly 1200 to pump displacement matter 1000 into the displacement matter chamber 1001, in a conventional manner.

Overview of Closure Assembly

FIG. 8 shows a more detailed cut away view of the closure 400a used in the PREFERRED embodiment. Compressor vent groves 455, spaces are left between the closure 400 and the compressor assembly 1200, to allow air flow to cool the compressor. A cooling fan 1257 is attached to the shaft of the motor 1255 which drives air through the Compressor vent groves 455. A usable material valve 920, conventional carbonated beverage delivery valve nozzle, is attached to the other end of the usable material external hose 910 and both ends of the hose are secured with hose clamps 916.

Details of the valves that control the displacement matter 1000 flow can be more clearly seen on FIG. 8. The The displacement matter intake valve 1025 and the displacement matter compressor exhaust valve 1030 are formed of a flex-

ible material such as silicone rubber, but can also be a thin member of springy metal as in a conventional reed valve on a conventional compressor. The are each secured to the Closure 400a at a valve seat with a valve screw 1035. The air inlet 1010 of the displacement matter passageway 1002 is covered 5 with an air inlet filter screen 1020 composed in standard manner of foam. An electronic displacement matter removal valve 1105a is shown which upon actuation opens to allow compressed air to leave the displacement matter chamber 1001.

A displacement matter passageway 1002 is formed in the closure 400a for a delivery pressure mode pressure switch 1135. These pressure sensing switches are set to values that represent the pressures desired for delivery of soda mode. A save mode pressure switch 1140 For example is also set into 15 the device. The pressures at many points inside the device, either in the pathways or cavity of the usable material chamber 901 or the displacement matter chamber 1001. For example a save mode or 28 PSI can be selected, while a delivery mode of less than one pound might be used. A beer 20 setting might be set with a much lower save mode pressure, for example 13 psi. Such pressure sensing switches are available such as the MPL 600 series from MPL at www.pressureswitch.com. Available with threads these standard switches are threaded into the ends of displacement matter partition's. 25 Wiring is complete as shown latter in the electronic schematic section of this document.

Individual parts of the compressor are more clearly shown in FIG. 6. A piston seal 1215 sits atop the piston 1210 secured with a piston seal screw 1215. This seal is similar to that found 30 in a conventional bicycle hand pump, being conical in nature, and formed from silicon rubber. The cone spreads on the compression stroke to form a tight seal with the cylinder wall 1205. A piston wrist pin 1220 formed from metal connects the connecting rod 1225 formed from metal to the piston 1210 35 which is formed of plastic. The other end of the wrist pin 1220 connects to the flywheel 1230 formed from metal at the flywheel pin 1240. The flywheel 1230 is mounted on a flywheel axel 1235 formed of metal about which the flywheel rotates. The flywheel axel is secured to the closure 400 with a fly-40 wheel axel retainer member 1236 of plastic and secured with a flywheel axel retainer member screw 1237. A flywheel balance 1245, of metal is formed as part of the flywheel 1230 to balance the flywheel 1230 as it turns. The edges of the flywheel 1230 have gear teeth which engage the teeth of the 45 motor gear 1250 which is attached to the shaft of the motor 1255 all in conventional fashion. A compressor cover 1260 holds the compressor motor in place and is secured with cover screws 1265. Holes are formed in the compressor cover 1260 to form compressor cover air vents. In like manner a delivery 50 mode battery cover 1263 secures the delivery mode battery 1310 and a compressor battery cover secures the compressor

Battery contacts 1405 are secured to the closure 400. Finally, electrical conductor wire 1430 is run in passageways 55 formed in the closure 400 to make appropriate electrical connections as depicted in the electronic schematic sections of this document.

FIG. 6a, shows an external view of the closure with bell 300 and bottle 800 installed. Attached to closure 400 is a 60 closure handle 620. Side feet 600s let the volumetric displacement device 200 rest on its side.

Control is accomplished with electronic parts, according to the schematic of FIG. 9. Wired into the device are a cap savedelivery mode toggle switch 1422a, wire 1430, electrical 65 conductor, use pending sensorswitch 1440, Usable Material Delivery Switch 1450, Usable Material Inhibit Relay 1460,

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Air Compressor Actuate Relay 1465, onoff master power switch 1499, displacement matter pressure switch 1135, save mode pressure switch 1140, electronic displacement matter removal valve 1105a, electronic usable material valve 920d, and compressor assembly 1200. Usable Material Inhibit Relay 1460 and Air Compressor Actuate Relay 1465 are appropriately configured so current does not feed back through them actuating the wrong circuits.

Operation of Preferred Embodiment

The operator signals their intent to use the device by removing Closure Cap 1545. When they do this, cap savedelivery mode toggle switch 1422 is actuated. This cause the wire going to displacement matter pressure switch 1135 to go high. If the pressure in the bottle is above approximately 1 lb, the switch will be closed and the wire going to electronic displacement matter removal valve 1105a will go high and cause this valve to open releasing the compressed air from the displacement matter chamber. This loss of pressure will allow a non-violent delivery of the usable material which under a higher pressure, would come out frothy and in a spray of foam. At the same time the wire going to electronic displacement matter removal valve 1105a goes high, another wire going to Usable Material Inhibit Relay 1460 also goes high. This wire goes to the Usable Material Inhibit Relay 1460 which prevents the electronic usable material valve 920d from opening and the compressor assembly 1200 from operating. With the electronic displacement matter removal valve 1105a open, and releasing pressure, it would be undesirable to open the electronic usable material valve 920d or run the compressor as the results would be very messy. This inhibition of the compressor and usable material valve represents a check on their operation, when they should not be operated.

At the same time the wire going to displacement matter pressure switch 1135 went high, the wire to Usable Material Delivery Switch 1450 also goes high. In this case, Usable Material Delivery Switch 1450 is a level detecting switch, a mercury switch that can detect when the bottle is tipped as if the user wants to pour from it. The Usable Material Delivery Switch 1450 is configured and oriented so that when the opening of the bottle is pointing down, the switch is closed. FIG. 2, shows the same volumetric displacement device, but with bell 300 having bell feet 310. The feet are formed in the same way that conventional feet are formed on the bottle of a conventional PET soda container. In this case, the Usable material delivery switch 1450 is configured differently, as the bottle is capable of standing in a vertical position. Thus, a tip that would actuate the compressor 1200 and the usable material delivery switch 1450 would include the horizontal position. Such a level indication for "pour" could be similarly configured for the device of FIG. 1, if the user were provided with a cup or stand into which the hemispherical bell 320 could be place, so as to allow the bottle to be placed in an upright position. The wire coming from Usable Material Delivery Switch 1450 goes high, and runs to Usable Material Inhibit Relay 1460, and in the absence of inhibition caused by the appropriate opening of electronic displacement matter removal valve 1105a, causing the wire running from the Usable Material Inhibit Relay 1460 to the electronic usable material valve 920d to go high, thus opening electronic usable material valve 920d and allowing the pouring of the material by the user.

At the same time the electronic usable material valve 920*d* is actuated, and also in the absence of inhibition by the open electronic displacement matter removal valve 1105*a*, a wire running from the Usable Material Inhibit Relay 1460 to the

Air Compressor Actuate Relay 1465 causes a wire from Air Compressor Actuate Relay 1465 to compressor assembly 1200 to go high, actuating the compressor and driving out the material for the user.

When the user is finished pouring, he rights the bottle, closing the electronic usable material valve 920d and turning off the compressor assembly 1200. If the user is finished pouring beverage, he replaces the cap turning offdeliverysave mode toggle switch 1498 to save mode. This causes the wire to the Air Compressor Actuate Relay 1465 and the save mode pressure switch 1140 to go high. When the pressure in the container is less than save mode pressure, in this case approximately 30 psi, the save mode pressure switch 1140 will close actuating the Air Compressor Actuate Relay 1465. This turns on the compressor assembly 1200 to save pressure and preserves the beverage.

In all, in operation, the user removes the cap, turns the bottle over, and pours out preserved beverage. There will be a delay, and a hissing sound, as the displacement matter is 20 removed from the container, but other than that, the system operates exactly the same way for the user as a conventional bottle and thus is intuitive and easy to operate.

Alternatively a use pending sensorswitch can sense the presence of the operator in a variety of ways, other than by 25 removing a cap. The switch can be any sort of motion sensor, or human capacitance sensor, IR detection, a clapper switch such as is used to turn on lights by clapping hands, a simple user activated toggle switch or any other means of detecting a human's presence. The device can employ a use pending 30 sensorswitch, and an offdeliverysave mode toggle switch and a use pending timer relay, with a time setting of approximately, for example, 10 minutes. When the device is put in delivery mode, either by switch or alternatively by motion sensing, the device will release the pressure in the container as 35 described earlier. The device will stay at low pressure for approximately 10 minutes . . . so the timer serves as a latch, locking the low pressure mode on for 10 minutes so as to not wear out the battery by repeated de-pressurizing and re-pressurizing the container system. Once the pressure is released, 40 the user may actuate the delivery of the material either by tipping the bottle, or in alternative configurations, with any sort of faucet and hose combination that is appropriate. The operating control of the faucet delivering the usable material can be configure with an electronic switch, that actuates the 45 other flow control components of the circuit as previously described for correct operation. All sorts of configurations of electronic controls, control point access, type of actuation means can be conceived and are meant to fall within the claims of this patent.

Volumetric Displacement Device

The PREFERRED embodiment of the volumetric displacement device utilizes the conventional PET bottle as a cartridge. The customer purchases the bottle of beverage at the appropriate manner, and is served consistently good carbonated beverage.

The unit has basic functionality that is similar to that described by Litto U.S. Pat. No. 6,220,311. Terms and concepts developed by Litto in U.S. Pat. No. 6,220,311 apply to 60 this document. The physical theories and operation that govern the volumetric displacement device of U.S. Pat. No. 6,220,311 apply to this patent application as well.

In this model, the convention PET bottle is pressed into the container by the conventional compressor, a 2 or 3 liter PET bottle capable of holding, storing, pouring beverage is crushed under pressure.

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The compressor batteries, attachments and necessary valves, faucet, safety and convenience options will be contained in a convenient unit that is portable in this embodiment, and will adapt. These functions are not trivial. They are carefully designed into the containers. It is attempted to make the size and weight of the volumetric displacement device as small as possible.

It is beneficial to view the inner workings of the volumetric displacement device. Looking into the bell gives the user an idea as to how much beverage is left, allows for checking correct operation, and for trouble shooting as well as the esthetic advantages. The user doesn't have to wonder what's going on inside the container. It makes for easier operation. The user can check to see if a gas bubble has developed.

Container

By making the interior of the container approximately the same size and shape as that of a conventional PET bottle, the amount of air that is needed to be pumped in is maintained at a minimum. This conserves energy, makes the system run the minimum amount of time, keeps where down and makes the system run most efficiently. Such an ovaloid shaped container, assuming near the shape and size of a conventional PET container and holding said PET container, would have a minimum of air to pump into the container, as the PET container would take up the maximum space in the container.

A container with a top that is shaped approximately the same shape as the bottom of a bottle, having generally and approximately and roughly an ovaloid shape wherein a conventional ovaloid bottle top would fit with a minimum of air space between the bottle and the closure top whereby, the shape in the closure thus formed is optimal for holding compression by a thin layer of material without distortion, is formed with the minimum amount of material yet achieves maximum strength for a maximum strength to material ratio, and keeps the amount of air that is pumped into the displacement matter chamber 1001 at a minimum.

A container which is ovaloid is made with substantially less plastic for cost savings, be safer from having less plastic, have less pressurized airspace in it, will more mimic the shape of a conventional PET soda container, and leave more room for parts in the ELB.

In addition, if the thin walled ovaloid container were to rupture, from excessive internal pressure, and that container wall is made of a tough plastic such as PET, it would be expected that there would not be any heavy pieces to fly after the rupture, as the container is made of light weight thin material sheeting, in much the same way a conventional PET container would be expected to form.

Thus the ovaloid container is shaped such that if the material forming said container is non-elastic and flexible, increasing pressure within the container will not change the shape of

Thus a container is formed which is ovaloid whereby the the store, places it into the volumetric displacement device in 55 container can be made with substantially less plastic for cost savings, be safer from having less plastic, have less pressurized airspace in it, more mimic the shape of a conventional PET soda bottle.

> The container has a closure with a surface adjacent to the bottle that is shaped approximately the same shape as the top of a bottle, having generally and approximately and roughly an ovaloid shape wherein a conventional ovaloid bottle top would fit with a minimum of air space between the bottle and the closure top whereby, the shape in the closure thus formed is optimal for holding compression by a thin layer of material without distortion, can be made with the minimum amount of material yet achieve maximum strength for a maximum

strength to material ratio, and keep the amount of air that is pumped into the displacement matter chamber 1001 at a minimum

The container, composed of the bell with closure can be of clear materials, such as clear plastic, acrylic, lexan or materials used for bullet proof windows, glass, plastic or metal or any other strong material capable of withstanding pressure and holding air.

A combined container closure and bell shape this is approximately the size and shape of a conventional container 10 is formed.

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The material of the PREFERRED bell is clear, transparent, thin, light weight, non elastic and flexible The volumetric displacement device is constructed with a clear BELL so that 15 container can be observed for correct operation, and to estimate amount left, and for Esthetics.

PET material creates a bell that is relatively flexible.

First a preform is cast in PET. The preform is heated, is stretched longitudinally to align the plastic molecules, and 20 then stretched radially as the preform is stretch blow molded to the final shape.

The bell is made of material that will not shatter as it would not break so as to have pieces that would would not break off.

The bell is made of light weight strong plastics for clear 25 safe light weight solutions.

The bell is formed of relatively light weight, thin plastic, as might be found in a conventional PET bottle, and formed as a conventional PET container is formed. Feet are formed in the plastic of the bell, so that the container can be stood on the 30 bell, to put it into the neck up position, in the same manner as a conventional PET bottle.

Bell container is inexpensive and disposable, and the mouth of the bell is wide enough to accept conventional PET bottle.

Burst Control, Bell Safety

An example of a light weight plastic containment device is found in a conventional PET soda bottle. As this bell is constructed with the same technology as a conventional PET soda bottle, it would be expected to be as save as the well 40 tested conventional PET soda container. Another aspect of the safety of this volumetric displacement device is that the exceptionally light weight bell that would not be a danger if it flew off under pressure. Since it is large and light weight, air resistance would not allow it to fly very far. Even if it struck 45 something, it is large and light so it is unlikely to cause much damage. Effectively, another pet bottle on outside, has nearly the same safety considerations as the original interior container.

Alternate: External Displacement Matter Chamber, Battery 50 Powered Volumetric Displacement Device with an Integrated Closure and Compressor Assembly, an Ovaloid Container, Separate Delivery and Save Modes, Linked with Cam Shaft

The alternate embodiment of a volumetric displacement device **200** is depicted in FIG. **10**, **10a**, **10b**. FIG. **10** shows a 55 close-up cross sectional view of the volumetric displacement device of figure one, with mechanical linkage of flow control components, using a plate valve as the usable material valve. A plate valve is similar in construction to a valve commonly used in the construction of heads atop motors in automobiles. 60 Such valves are referred to as exhaust valves for intake valves.

Construction of the device is similar to the construction of the device of FIG. 1, the preferred embodiment. Instead of electrical actuation and linkage of the various flow control components, a mechanical linkage is employed. Referring to 65 FIGS. 10 and 10a, a Usable Material Plate Valve 1705 is placed into the appropriately formed cavity of closure 400a.

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A Plate Valve Seal **1716** is used to make a tight seal with the closure body **400***a*. The valve has a Valve Stem **1711** which seals to the Valve Stem Seal **1721**. A Valve Spring **1726** is used to compress the Usable Material Plate Valve **1705** into a sealed position. Valve Spring Retainer Washer **1731** is used to secure the Valve Spring **1726** while Valve Spring Retainer **1736** secure the Valve Stem **1711**.

A Check Valve Assembly 1739 is fit into the closure 400a. The Check Valve Displacement Matter Passageway 1745 leads compressed air to the Check Valve Seal 1741. The Check Valve Seal 1741 is held in place with Check Valve Spring 1750 which is held at the other end with a protrusion in the Check Valve Displacement Matter Passageway 1745. A Check Valve Plunger 1755 is fastened to the check valve seal 1741, which runs through the check valve spring 1750. A Check Valve Spring 1750 is attached to the Check Valve Seal 1741. A Check Valve Air Vent 1760 is provided to allow air to exit the Check Valve Displacement Matter Passageway 1745 so that the Check Valve Seal 1741 will move.

An Air Compressor Actuation Switch **1470** is provide and set into the closure **400***a*. This switch actuates the compressor **1200**.

To actuate the flow control components, a Control Linkage Shaft 1770 with a series of attached cams on it is provided.

25 Usable Material Valve Actuation Cam 1780 is attached to Control Linkage Shaft 1770. This cam has a lob properly positioned and shaped so as to actuate the Usable Material Plate Valve 1705 at the proper time. A similar cam, Compressor Actuation Cam 1785 to actuate Air Compressor Actuation Switch 1470. Control Linkage Shaft Seals 1795 provide tight air seals along the shaft with the closure 400a. Check Valve Actuation Cam 1790, as shown in FIG. 10a is a little different. Check Valve Plunger 1755 locks against Check Valve Actuation Cam 1790 when significant pressure is in the volumetric displacement device 200, preventing Control Linkage Shaft 1770 from rotation in the correct direction.

Displacement matter or compressed air removal is accomplished with Displacement Matter Stopcock Vent Channel **1765** formed in the Control Linkage Shaft **1770**. This vent functions in similar manner to the stopcock found at the lower end of a chemist's separatory funnel, a cylinder inserted into the interior of a barrel.

The cylinder has a hole formed in it of appropriate diameter, that allows passage of material when the cylinder is rotated to an appropriate position. At other rotations, the hole is sealed, and flow of material stops. A Control Knob 1775 is provided to rotate Control Linkage Shaft 1770.

In all, the three cams and the Displacement Matter Stopcock Vent Channel 1765 are aligned on the Control Linkage Shaft 1770 so as to perform precise timing of the actuation of the flow control. The flow control components that actuate first with the turn of Control Knob 1775 is the Displacement Matter Stopcock Vent Channel 1765 and the Check Valve Assembly 1739. Displacement Matter Stopcock Vent Channel 1765 causes air to rush from the displacement matter chamber 1001 through displacement matter passageway 1002. At the same time Control Linkage Shaft 1770 is prevented from turning by Check Valve Assembly 1739, which lodges against the indent on Check Valve Actuation Cam 1790. When enough air has exited displacement matter chamber 1001, Check Valve Assembly 1739 is forced away from Check Valve Actuation Cam 1790 by Check Valve Spring 1750 and Control Linkage Shaft 1770 is free to rotate further. When it does rotate, Usable Material Valve Actuation Cam 1780 opens Usable Material Plate Valve 1705 allowing usable material 944 to exit the container. At this time Compressor Actuation Cam 1785 rotates enough to actuate Air Compres-

sor Actuation Switch 1470 to actuate the compressor 1200 to press the removal of usable material 944 out the usable material passageway 902.

1499 is provided for the user to select on or off. Compressor Actuation Cam 1785 has another lob on it, which actuates savedelivery mode toggle switch 1422. When Control Linkage Shaft 1770 is turned to save mode, savedelivery mode toggle switch 1422 is also switched to save mode. At this time current is directed to save mode pressure switch 1140 which dictates when the compressor is turned on and off, in analogous manner to the device of FIG. 9, to complete the save mode description.

Individual parts of the compressor are more clearly shown and labeled in FIG. ${\bf 6}$

An alternative configuration for the device of FIG. 10, is to extend the displacement matter passageway 1002 to the point where the cap use pending timer relay 1445 meets the closure 400a. The cap itself would seal the displacement matter passageway 1002. As the cap is removed, air from the displacement matter chamber would exit the device, placing the 20 device automatically in delivery mode. As the cap is returned to the bottle, the displacement matter passageway 1002 would again be sealed. A check valve similar in construction to the check valve of the device depicted in FIGS. 10 and 11 would be used to seal the displacement matter passageway 25 once the cap 1445 was replace, thus putting the device back in save mode.

Another Alternative to the device of FIG. 10 is to replace the compressor with a Usable Material Delivery Switch 1450. This embodiment is presented in FIG. 10c. A supply of gas, 30 gas or compressed air tank 1550, and a gas line 1555 attach to displacement matter valve 1475. Another gas linedisplacement matter passageway 1002 runs to the volumetric displacement device 200. When the displacement matter valve 1475 is actuated, it supplies gas or compressed air from some 35 source to the volumetric displacement device 200. Displacement matter other than air, such as water can be run to the device. The need to turn on a compressor with each actuation of the electronic usable material valve 920d is thus eliminated. This alternative can be extended in like manner to the 40 other embodiment presented.

Alternate: External Displacement Matter Chamber, Battery Powered Volumetric Displacement Device with an Integrated Closure and Compressor Assembly, an Ovaloid Container, Separate Delivery and Save Modes, Linked with Cam Shaft, 45 and with Stopcock Type Usable Material Valve.

The alternate embodiment of a volumetric displacement device **200** is depicted in FIG. **11**. FIG. **11** shows a close-up cross sectional view of the volumetric displacement device of figure one, with mechanical linkage of flow control components, using a stopcock type valve as the usable material valve.

Construction of the device is similar to the construction of the device of FIG. 10 except that the Usable Material Plate Valve 1705 is replaced with Usable Material Stopcock Shaft 55 1800 and Usable Material Stopcock Vent Channel 1850. Construction and operation of 1850 is similar to that of Displacement Matter Stopcock Vent Channel 1765 of FIG. 10. The device of FIG. 11 also employs a 3 way toggle offdeliversave mode switch 1149 to toggle between a save mode, delivery 60 mode and an off state. Operation of the device FIG. 11 is similar to the device of FIG. 10, the only difference being the operation of the 3 way switch by the user.

Alternate: External Displacement Matter Chamber, Battery Powered Volumetric Displacement Device with an Integrated 65 Closure and Compressor Assembly, an Ovaloid Container, Separate Delivery and Save Modes and Bell Feet 26

The alternate embodiment of a volumetric displacement device 200 is depicted in FIGS. 5, 6, 6a, 7, 12, 13a-c, 14. An ovaloid container 205, containment means is shown and is most generally comprised of a bell 300 and a closure 400. This container can serve as a pressure chamber. This container is used to house a variety of parts needed for the volumetric displacement device 200 to function, and a bottle 800, flexible bottle, of usable material 944, Soda, Beer or other carbonated beverage.

A flexible bell 300 is formed from PET plastic in much the same manner as a conventional PET carbonated beverage bottle is formed. The bell has an opening large enough to accommodate either a 2 or a 3 liter bottle full of beverage, bell, having an opening diameter generally equal to or larger than 4 inches or 5 inches respectively. Cast into the shape are bell feet 310, formed in shapes that are consistent in form and function to those found on a conventional PET bottle used to contain soft drinks. These feet can be used to stand the container in a neck up position. Formed into the plastic of the bell are thin spots in a line or scores that create a bell break line 330, and a bell safety plug 340. These weakened areas allow breakage of the container in a controlled fashion in the event of over pressurization. The bell has formed at its opening, bell to closure threads 701, which are used to secure the bell to a closure 400, which in the PREFERRED embodiment is a solid block of plastic with portions removed to form cavities and passageways in the block to house parts and material needed to make the volumetric displacement device work.

The closure has formed into its plastic closure to bell threads 730, which allows the closure to attach to the bell 300. The bell terminates with a bell lip 710. Sandwiched between the closure 400 and the bell lip 710 is a bell to closure seal 750 formed from a rubber like material which can compress to accomplish the tight seal. Seal grease 755 is employed on both sides of the bell to closure seal 750, to make a better seal.

The closure also has bottle to neck threads 460 formed which allows the closure to securely attach to the bottle 800. To accomplish sealing between bottle and closure, a closure to bottle neck seal 610, of a rubbery compressible material is used. Seal grease 755, is employed on both sides of the closure to bottle neck seal 610, to make a better seal.

Secured with a bonding agent to the bottom of the closure 400 are closure feet 600, made of a rubbery compressible material. Side closure feet 600s are secured to the side of the closure 400 so that the closure will rest in the neck horizontal position as well.

Inside the container 205 screwed into the closure is a bottle 800, in this case a conventional PET soda bottle with a conventional bottle neck 805, and conventional bottle neck threads 810. The bottle 800 contains usable material 944, which can be carbonated beverage, soda, beer or any fluid matter.

Usable material **944** exits the volumetric displacement device **200** through a usable material passageway **902**, bored or formed by other means in the closure **400**. A usable material external hose **910**, runs between the usable material passageway **902** and a usable material valve **920**, which is a conventional carbonated beverage delivery valve nozzle.

A displacement matter chamber 1001, is delineated that lies within the container 205 and outside the bottle 800. Connecting the displacement matter chamber with the environment and the various components that need to communicate with the displacement matter chamber 1001 is the displacement matter passageway 1002. At one end of the displacement matter passageway is an air inlet 1010, which leads to a displacement matter intake valve 1025. After displacement matter 1000, air goes through the displacement

matter intake valve 1025, it goes into the compressor cylinder 1205. The air then follows the placement matter passageway 1002 to the displacement matter compressor exhaust valve 1030, and into the displacement matter chamber 1001. Various portions of the displacement matter passageway lead to 5 various components including the user pressure release assembly 1100, which allows a user to press a button and release then internal pressure in the displacement matter chamber 1001, a safety pressure release valve 1110, which prevents the volumetric displacement device from over pres- 10 surizing, a pressure gauge 1115, which allows the user of the volumetric displacement device to read it's internal pressure, and a series of pressure switches which will be discussed latter, but not show in FIG. 5. Parts of the compressor assembly 1200, are shown in FIG. 5, which is separated from the closure 400 with a series of compressor assembly shock absorbers 1203. The compressor assembly 1200 is relatively standard having a piston 1210, a connecting rod 1225, a flywheel 1230, motor gear 1250, motor 1255, electric motor, energy to mechanical energy conversion means, and a com- 20 pressor battery 1300, delivery mode battery, electrical battery, potential energy source, to drive the compressor assem-

The PREFERRED embodiment has a second electrical battery displacement matter battery 1310, which serves to drive the motor 1255 at a relatively slow speed so as to deliver soda from the volumetric displacement device at low pressure so not to damage it. The volumetric displacement device 30 depicted also has an onoff power switch 1499, which turns power on and off from the compressor battery 1300 to the motor 1255. It also has a saverejuvenate mode toggle switch 1410, which toggles the volumetric displacement device between save mode and rejuvenate mode. The volumetric 35 displacement device depicted has a delivery mode power switch 1415, which turns power on and off from the delivery mode battery 1310 to the motor 1255. The circuitry that connects these electrical devices will be discussed in a later section that deals with the electronics of the volumetric dis- 40 placement device.

bly 1200 to pump displacement matter 1000 into the

displacement matter chamber 1001, in a conventional man-

Overview of Closure Assembly

FIG. 6 shows a more detailed cut away view of the closure 400 used in the PREFERRED embodiment. Compressor vent groves 455, spaces are left between the closure 400 and the 45 compressor assembly 1200, to allow air flow to cool the compressor. A cooling fan 1257 is attached to the shaft of the motor 1255 which drives air through the Compressor vent groves 455. Closure to bottle vent groves 465 are cut into the closure to bottle neck threads 460, which allow compressor 50 air to escape the displacement matter chamber 1001 when the bell 300 is unscrewed from the closure 400. Threads are cut into the closure 400 to attach a usable material hose barb 913 formed of metal which holds the end of the usable material external hose 910. A usable material valve 920, conventional 55 carbonated beverage delivery valve nozzle, is attached to the other end of the usable material external hose 910 and both ends of the hose are secured with hose clamps 916.

Details of the valves that control the displacement matter 1000 flow can be more clearly seen on FIG. 6. The The 60 displacement matter intake valve 1025 and the displacement matter compressor exhaust valve 1030 are formed of a flexible material such as silicone rubber, but can also be a thin member of springy metal as in a conventional reed valve on a conventional compressor. The are each secured to the Closure 65 400 at a valve seat with a valve screw 1035. The air inlet 1010 of the displacement matter passageway 1002 is covered with

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an air inlet filter screen 1020 composed in standard manner of foam. Also can be seen the details of the user pressure release assembly 1100, composed of a user pressure release valve bolt 1101, a user pressure release valve seal 1102, a user pressure release valve spring 1103, and a user pressure release valve button 1104

A displacement matter passageway 1002 is formed in the closure 400 for a save mode pressure switch 1135 and for a rejuvenate mode pressure switch 1145. These pressure sensing switches are set to values that represent the pressures desired for save mode and rejuvenate mode. For example, a save mode or 28 PSI can be selected, while a rejuvenate mode of 45 might be used for soda. A beer setting might be much lower, for example 13 psi for save mode and 25 psi for rejuvenate mode. Such pressure sensing switches are available such as the MPL 600 series from MPL at www.pressure-switch.com. Available with threads these standard switches are threaded into the ends of displacement matter partition's. Wiring is complete as shown latter in the electronic schematic section of this document.

Individual parts of the compressor are shown in FIG. 6. A piston seal 1215 sits atop the piston 1210 secured with a piston seal screw 1215. This seal is similar to that found in a conventional bicycle hand pump, being conical in nature, and formed from silicon rubber. The cone spreads on the compression stroke to form a tight seal with the cylinder wall 1205. A piston wrist pin 1220 formed from metal connects the connecting rod 1225 formed from metal to the piston 1210 which is formed of plastic. The other end of the wrist pin 1220 connects to the flywheel 1230 formed from metal at the flywheel pin 1240. The flywheel 1230 is mounted on a flywheel axel 1235 formed of metal about which the flywheel rotates. The flywheel axel is secured to the closure 400 with a flywheel axel retainer member 1236 of plastic and secured with a flywheel axel retainer member screw 1237. A flywheel balance 1245, of metal is formed as part of the flywheel 1230 to balance the flywheel 1230 as it turns. The edges of the flywheel 1230 have gear teeth which engage the teeth of the motor gear 1250 which is attached to the shaft of the motor **1255** all in conventional fashion.

A compressor cover 1260 holds the compressor motor in place and is secured with cover screws 1265. Holes are formed in the compressor cover 1260 to form compressor cover air vents. In like manner a delivery mode battery cover 1263 secures the delivery mode battery 1310 and a compressor battery cover secures the compressor battery 1300.

Battery contacts 1405 are secured to the closure 400. Finally, electrical conductor wire 1430 is run in passageways formed in the closure 400 to make appropriate electrical connections as depicted in the electronic schematic sections of this document.

FIG. 6a, shows an external view of the closure with bell 300 and bottle 800 installed. Attached to closure 400 is a closure handle 620. Side feet 600s let the volumetric displacement device 200 rest on its side.

Break Line

The function of the bell break line or bell safety plug is to break out upon excess pressure, so that the entire volumetric displacement device will not catastrophically break up in an uncontrolled manner. This represents a means of making a bell with a controlled breaking point in it.

There may also be safety blow out and break areas designed into the bell container to have it blow, crack, separate break or release in a predictable safe manner. The break line, rip panel, rip line in bell, score is formed in the bell. A weak, thin, outlined plug, cast into container blows at earlier

pressure than container. The break line cast into bell container, breaks and releases pressure before bell container catastrophically destructs.

The bell may be simply scored with a sharp tool. Alternatively a thin spot in preform, use of hot bars to press into the bell after blow molding, score bell with hot barb, or a bump in the blow mold form would form the break line. Slightly misaligned molds of preform, or final blow would accomplish same function. Press hot bars into walls, both sides to thin it. Bell Safety

An example of a light weight plastic containment device is found in a conventional PET soda bottle. As this bell is constructed with the same technology as a conventional PET soda bottle, it would be expected to be as save as the well tested conventional PET soda container. Another aspect of the safety of this volumetric displacement device is that the exceptionally light weight bell that would not be a danger if it flew off under pressure. Since it is large and light weight, air resistance would not allow it to fly very far. Even if it struck something, it is large and light so it is unlikely to cause much damage. Effectively, another pet bottle on outside, has nearly the same safety considerations as the original interior container.

Closure

The interior of the closure device assumes an ovaloid shape. The closure seals the bell thus completing the ovaloid container. The ovaloid shape prevents the closure from deforming unacceptably under relatively high pressure. It closes the conventional PET bottle. The closure serves to 30 blow compressed air into the displacement matter chamber 1001. The closure will serve as a faucet or have a faucet attached to dispense beverage.

This closure body has a flat side which allows the entire volumetric displacement device to sit in a the Neck Horizon- 35 tal position without rolling.

The closure will serve as a stand for the bottle in that the closure once attached can work in any orientation. Thus the bottle screwed into the closure, may be turned over so the closure serves as a base. The container my also be set on it's 40 side, so that the flat part of the closure will serve as a stand for the container preventing it from rolling.

ELB

The closure is constructed to be the size and shape of the ELB. In this manner the battery, motor, compressor, displace—45 ment matter passageway 1002, usable material passageway 902, valves, pressure gauge, pressor sensor switches and other controls housed within the closure lie substantially within the ELB space. This allows the volumetric displacement device to take up only slightly more space in their 50 refrigerator than a conventional soda bottle would.

A volumetric displacement device is constructed fitting a conventional bottle where some, many, any or all of the group of {compressor, usable material valve, displacement matter valve, usable material passageway 902, displacement matter 55 passageway 1002, electromechanical converter, power supply, compressor piston, compressor exhaust valve, compressor intake valve} lies predominately in the ELB space.

The closure of the volumetric displacement device serves as a stand. Feet to stand the volumetric displacement device on are made of a rubber like material that is won't slip on a table and cushion the volumetric displacement device. Feet are also put onto the flat side spot of the closure, so that the volumetric displacement device can be set into the neck horizontal position without the volumetric displacement device rolling on a flat surface.

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Integrated, Once Piece, Compressor Turns Relative

The closure forms a one piece assembly integrated with all the parts of the compressor, battery, motor, displacement matter passageway 1002, usable material passageway 902, valves, pressure gauge, pressor sensor switches, usable material valve 920, controls and other parts shown in FIG. 6. This forms an integrated closure assembly. This entire integrated closure assembly rotates relative to the bottle as the bottle is sealed when the integrated closure assembly is screwed onto the bottle. The entire integrated closure assembly also rotates relative to the bell when the closure is screwed onto the bell.

The bottle can be placed on a table while the compressor revolves around it as the closure is attached to the bottle or conventional PET bottle.

Usable Material Passageway.

Velcro tabs are attached to the bell and to the usable material hose as a means to keep the hose from flopping about.

flew off under pressure. Since it is large and light weight, air resistance would not allow it to fly very far. Even if it struck something, it is large and light so it is unlikely to cause much

This hose is flexible but springy material that pops back to the something, it is large and light so it is unlikely to cause much storage position.

Usable Material Passageway Variation.

A conventional soda regulator can be used to the pressure the soda comes out at to control foaming. Such a regulator would potentially be a part of the usable material passageway 902.

Increasing the diameter of the usable material passageway 902 will allow lower pressure to be used when delivering soda. This will reduce foaming problem. The larger the diameter of the usable material passageway 902 that faster the delivery.

With a large usable material passageway 902, this usable material chamber 901 environment pressure differential could be allowed to become very small, even as small as a fraction of a single psi unit. Very little pressure is needed to remove beverage. As the output pressure, that is the pressure differential between usable material 944 and environment becomes very small, the carbonation of the drink remains very high as it is poured.

Compressor

The compressor is powered by an electric motor, a device that converts electricity into mechanical energy.

Compressor Variation

A conventional piston pump is employed here, but other type of air pumps are possible to use such as perhaps a diaphragm pump.

Batters

The volumetric displacement device converts potential or stored energy into pressurized displacement matter 1000 for the purpose of preserving and dispensing carbonated beverages that have been partially dispensed. Storing energy in the battery is used to applying pressure to displacement matter 1000, which is converted to a compressed air block residing within the displacement matter chamber 1001.

The battery is a means for storing energy and storing electricity energy. The electrical motor is means for converting stored energy to mechanical energy. The compressor converts mechanical energy into compressed air which is used to preserve carbonated beverages.

Battery Types

Batteries used can be conventional Rechargeable batteries such as nickle cadmium, nickle metal hydride, lithium or non-rechargeable types such as alkaline, lithium, lead acid or carbon zinc batteries or any other suitable source of electricity

Replaceable Rechargeable

Power can be obtained from interchangeable power unit

Replaceable rechargeable batteries, battery packs, that can be charge independent of closure, detached, and then inserted fully charged as the other dead battery, battery pack, batteries 5 are removed for charging. Batteries can be put into and taken out of battery holders.

A Black and Decker Versapak {trademark} battery has rubber ends which can serve as feet for the volumetric displacement device. These feet remove themselves as battery is 10 removed, and are replaced as the charged Versapak battery is replaced.

Batteries are replaceable, snap in, so batteries can be charged in charger outside refrigerator, then swapped for discharge batteries in volumetric displacement device, bell 15 model.

Module Concepts

The entire closure may be placed on a charger. In this way a stored energy module is interchangeable closures.

Power in this embodiment is stored in rechargeable batter- 20 ies. With rechargeable batteries, the closure and container assembly can be removed from the battery charging unit and is thus portable without the need to maintain a power connection to the electricity system of a house for example at 110-120 volts AC.

Alternative Power Supplies

Fuel cells could be employed to supply power.

A an optional car batter plug, or a AC to DC converter plugged directly to wall outlet so that the volumetric displacement device can run without batteries.

Delivery Mode Batteries

Batteries can be used in such a way as to diminish voltage, for delivery mode. That is, if 8 batteries pump up to make a save mode, then using only one battery at 1.2 volts for example, might be enough to make the thing run in delivery 35 mode. This eliminates need for low pressure switch, voltage reduction electronic circuitry.

Conventional AC converters.

Battery Changing

User will see pressure gauge is low, and pump is off. User 40 may see a bubble of CO2 gas that can't be pushed back into the beverage. The user will replace discharged batteries with charged batteries, pump up the displacement matter chamber 1001 pressure, optionally shake the volumetric displacement device it to put CO2 back in beverage, optionally place the 45 volumetric displacement device into Rejuvenate mode, and the volumetric displacement device will pump good carbonated beverage again.

Bottle

A conventional PET bottle is used as the storage device for 50 carbonated beverage, (CB). This has a neck size of approximately 78 inch inside diameter and 18 inch outside diameter including threads for 16 oz, 20 oz, 24 oz, 1 liter, 2 liter PET plastic CSD containers (carbonated soft drink) and 1 316 to 1 732 inside diameter and 1 12 inch approximate outside diam- 55 just under the rejuvenation mode pressure that gives the volueter threads for 3 liter bottles.

This displacement partition that is capable of also containing pressurized material in excess of 50 psi and not rupturing.

The described volumetric displacement device empties and compresses a flexible bottle that can be stood up, poured 60 from, and capped.

The described volumetric displacement device can function as a carbonated beverage preservation system that accepts a conventional carbonated beverage container, having a neck with threads, wall in excess of 2 mils in thickness and which by itself is capable of supporting itself and which may be poured from so that the container may be used in the

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manner of a conventional bottle as well as being plugged into the described volumetric displacement device

The described volumetric displacement device can can protect carbonated beverages in a bottle which at once serves as containment device that can be handled, stood up, and poured from in a conventional manner, and at the same time empties and protects the contents as it is managed by the volumetric displacement device.

The displacement partition, bottle is capable of with standing a pressure differential between inside and outside of 50 psi.

The described volumetric displacement device is capable of incorporating a flexible displacement partition that is rigid enough to be picked up with one hand and poured from while at the same time said displacement partition remains relatively undeformed in the manner that a conventional bottle might be picked up and poured from.

The described volumetric displacement device is capable of incorporating a displacement partition that would resist the puncture of a sharp object with the same resistance that a conventional carbonated beverage conventional PET bottle would.

The described volumetric displacement device is capable of incorporating a flexible displacement partition that is 25 capable of holding fluid and sitting on a table with closure removed and not disgorging contents, while installed in the volumetric displacement device the displacement partition will be deformable and disgorge contents upon having pressure placed upon it.

The described volumetric displacement device is capable of incorporating a flexible displacement partition, that displacement partition by itself can be used as a means to transport usable material 944 without a the volumetric displacement device and not be damaged while the displacement partition containment device is in a full fill state, even if the contents of the displacement partition is a fully carbonated beverage.

The described volumetric displacement device is capable of incorporating a flexible displacement partition with thickness greater than 4 ml.

The described volumetric displacement device is capable of incorporating a flexible displacement partition which is at once a bottle and at the same time a collapsible container Displacement Matter Passageway

Valves

The displacement matter compressor exhaust valve 1030 serves two functions. One, it is a conventional exhaust valve that prevents higher pressure air from reentering the compressor cylinder. In the PREFERRED volumetric displacement device the valve also prevents compressed air from exiting the displacement matter chamber 1001. This valve is easily washed in the describe volumetric displacement device. It can be unscrewed for cleaning.

The safety pressure release valve 1110 is set to a safe value, metric displacement device added safety. Should the pressure go to high for any reason, it is safely vented to the environment.

Mode

Reasoning, Non-Violent Carbonated Beverage Delivery

A big problem that is immediately encountered with a volumetric displacement device for saving carbonated beverages or soda, is that removing the soda at high pressure destroys the carbonation. Blasting soda out at 30 psi is so violent, that no carbonation remains in the beverage after it is dispensed into a drinking glass. The problem is the soda is destroyed coming out of nozzle, very flat and very foamy.

The described volumetric displacement device solves this problem by delivering or dispensing the soda at a lower pressure. The volumetric displacement device has a means for controlling foaming whereby pressure is reduced in the container before usable material valve 920 opens, and then 5 increasing the pressure again after the usable material valve 920 is closed

The pressure in the volumetric displacement device is dropped by pressing the user pressure release button 1104. At low pressure, the soda flows out quietly out the usable material valve 920, thus leaving the soda in good shape. After delivery of the drink, the nozzle valve is closed, and the pressure reintroduced to the volumetric displacement device with the battery operated pump. The Soda can now be saved.

This introduces a delivery mode and save mode. This introduces delivery pressure and a save pressure. The container can be vibrated in the rejuvenate mode. A method and apparatus for reducing pressure in volumetric displacement device, then removing material is advanced. Material is removed via a tapping means.

Save Mode

Only a little more pressure is needed in the container 205, than is needed in a conventional carbonated beverage bottle. If the conventional carbonated beverage develops a max Pressure of 37 psi for example, then 37 psi in the container 205 is 25 enough to drive all the CO2 back into beverage at the equilibrium.

Delivery Mode

A means for dropping pressure before exit of soda as a means of reducing carbonation loose do to violence of soda 30 exit is advanced.

A good pressure for delivery might is around 15 inches of water.

Two methods of maintaining a low delivery pressure are suggested. One is to have a pressure switch that operates at the 35 delivery pressure, employed to maintain a low pressure flow. When a circuit is activated, this switch runs the compressor to provide a low pressure output, in a manner consistent with conventional compressor pressure electronic control.

Another method that could be employed, is to activate a 40 circuit that reduces the voltage to the compressor motor, thereby running it very slowly. By adjusting the voltage applied to the motor, the motor can push out a slow steady volume of soda that can be adjusted to be approximately that of say 15 inches of water.

Delivery Mode Via Pressure Sensing

An alternate way to garner a delivery mode is to measures the pressure differential between the usable material chamber and the environment.

FIG. 7. shows an optional delivery mode pressure switch 50 1135 which can be put into the circuit to measure the pressure in the usable material passageway 902. A pressure of 15 inches of water is used in the PREFERRED embodiment, but this pressure is adjusted depending on the usable material external hose size. Without this pressure sensor, the user 55 activates the delivery mode switch 1415 manually.

The delivery mode can be activated potentially in a number of ways. A switch can be pressed by user. This switch initiates the loss of pressure. A valve can be opened as a result of the action of the switch, or by opening the valve manually. If 60 electronic valves are used, the pressing of the usable material valve 920 would first activate a pressure release feature to shift to delivery mode. After the pressure is reduced to a sufficient level, the usable material valve 920 can be opened, either by switch, or by user permission. Such permission can 65 be granted by a light, for example, which lights up when the system is in suitable delivery mode. Lights, position of toggle

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switch, LED indicators, can signal whether the volumetric displacement device is in save mode, delivery mode, rejuvenate mode or what ever other modes are needed.

Two relays control Delivery and Save mode. The Delivery relay is Set to a couple pounds and is on a circuit that closes the compressor activating circuit. Another relays set to Save Mode Pressure, also activates the compressor circuit. A user toggle allows the save mode circuit to activate in save mode, and disables it in Delivery Mode.

Measure a pressure differential between environment and usable material 944 pressure. Keep this to a constant during delivery. Will yield greater pressure in displacement matter chamber 1001 as container provides resistance. Pressure is more accurately read in usable material chamber 901, as this would subtract the effect of the resistance of the bottle wall, however, reading the pressure in the displacement matter chamber 1001 is less messy as air pressure, not soda pressure is read.

Another circuit is to be built for maintaining the save mode 20 pressure. Various companies are contacted to find an adjustable pressure switch in the range of approximately 30 to 50 PSI. The goal is to find a relatively small, inexpensive switch with a reasonable dead zone so that the motor will not be burned out. Such a unit is described by MPL, model 808. This pressure switch can be configured in the area needed according to the sales representative. They can be purchase in bulk for as low as \$4 list, and a sample can be procured for \$25. A 3 amp switch, produced by Honeywell is incorporated. The pressure can be adjusted to Plus or Minus 10 to 15 percent. It is decided that a clear bell will be produced, pressure controlled manually, until it can be determined exactly what pressures to have the MPL unit configured to. A conventional air pressure gauge reading from 0 to 60 lbs is procured. Delivery Mode Via Voltage Regulation

This method has many advantages. First, it does not need another pressure sensor. A slow steady relatively quite pump might be better than running the compressor at full speed intermittently as pressure is needed and then not needed cyclicly as a standard compressor operates. Since a slow pump speed is needed anyway, cost could be reduced by not having a Low Pressure switch.

One simple way to accomplish this is to use a second battery set at lower voltage. In fact, a single 1.5 volt battery worked well in running the compressor at a very slow speed. By engaging that circuit as show the compressor is run slowly.

Running the compressor slowly reduces vibration of the volumetric displacement device. Reducing vibration in delivery mode increases the quality of delivered soda as there is less foaming and less loss of carbonation.

Rejuvenate Mode

During times when the volumetric displacement device is at low pressure, or is warmed, CO2 can come out of the beverage. It will form a bubble of free CO2 on the top of the beverage. This bubble can be forced back into the beverage. It will go back into the beverage in delivery mode mode, but a higher pressure will hasten the process, so rejuvenate mode is introduced.

The PREFERRED embodiment of the volumetric displacement device has a soda rejuvenate mode. In this mode, the pressure within the container holding the container is brought to sufficient pressure to rejuvenate or recarbonate the soda, that is by driving that gas bubble that has formed back into the soda. The process is speeded up by a vibration, tapping, jogging, shaking, sonic waves of the system that will enable jostle the soda thereby driving the soda back into the drink faster. Vibrations and mechanism such as those found in the Sonicare toothbrush might hasten soda going back into

solution. Note that systems developed will be such that free CO2 never leaves the container. Gas bubble will always above exit point of container when system is designed as stated elsewhere in this disclosure.

One thing that has to be considered is the effect of vibration of the pump knocking carbonation out of the beverage. Vibration speeds the process of equilibration. Therefore, if the container is under pressure, Vibration speeds the process of equilibration. Therefor, if the container is under pressure, vibration will cause the beverage to be carbonated to the internal pressure of the container. If CO2 comes out of the beverage, then increasing the pressure and vibrating the container will drive the gas bubble back into the beverage.

For example, a beverage is carbonated to 2.7 atmospheres. Since the original beverage contained in the original bottle 15 held a specific amount of CO2 gas, a certain pressure will drive all the free CO2 gas in the bottle back into the beverage. In the neck down position, for example, no free CO2 can escape the bottle. Thus there will always be enough CO2 left in the bottle to fully rejuvenate the soda.

It is noted that the save mode and recharge mode can be merged into one mode. The save mode can be any pressure point that is greater than the PSI of conventional soda. Thus, the save mode pressure need not be say, 35 psi, but could any higher pressure such as 40 or 50 or even 100 psi, for example. 25 These higher premeasures would be more efficient at keeping carbonation in the soda.

Vibrations will be put into the volumetric displacement device do vibrate, jostle, shake, stir up, bang on, hit or otherwise agitate the soda, so that under pressure, free CO2 will 30 move back into the soda at an accelerated rate. By running the pump, releasing a slight bit of pressure and running the pump again cyclicly, a vibration mode is introduced.

As an example, soda at 2.7 ATM is procured. Some soda is dispensed with the volumetric displacement device. A CO2 35 gas head space forms. Pressure is brought up to 3 atm, in the volumetric displacement device. The container equilibrates over time or with vibration. The CO2 is reabsorbed by the beverage. The pressure is reduced to 2.7 ATM again. The raising of the pressure will cause the CO2 to go back into the 40 beverage faster.

If the beverage comes out a little flat at first, the remaining beverage will have the opportunity to be fully carbonated, or more, because the CO2 gas has not been lost to the environment. AS pressure rises above 37 psi, CO2 will be equili- 45 brated vibrated back into the beverage.

At 37 psi or above, again, vibration drives the CO2 gas bubble back into the beverage.

The user should take care that a CO2 gas bubble never forms by putting pressure in the volumetric displacement 50 device and shacking if necessary. This will prevent flat soda coming out and later the bubble going back into the drink to over carbonate it.

If the bell pressure need never go above 37 psi, there will never be over carbonation.

It is possible to use the compressor to make a vibration cycle after pressure is attained, to vibrate any free CO2 gas back into the beverage, however, if the bell consistently keeps the pressure high enough, there is no need to put CO2 gas back into beverage, because it never will come out.

A circuit is to be added for recovery mode and is shown in the electrical schematic section.

Displacement Matter and Electric Control Circuits

FIG. 7 shows a schematic diagram of the displacement matter passageway 1002 and the electrical circuits. Also 65 shown are the various sensors, controls, compressor and components already introduced and described in earlier sections

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that control the displacement matter 1000. Wire 1430, electrical conductor wire has been put into the diagram to show the electrical connections that are needed to make the PRE-FERRED embodiment of the volumetric displacement device work.

The pressure in the container can be read from the pressure gauge 1115. It also has means to determine which mode the volumetric device is in. Areas are depicted on the gauge that indicate Delivery, Save and Rejuvenate Modes can be in color so the user has a clear idea what the mode is and what the condition of the pressure in the VD is. For example Save Range is Red, Green for Delivery Range, Blue no pressure mode and gray indicates over pressurization or over pressure. FIG. 12 shows a pressure gauge 1115 with appropriate areas marked to serve as mode indicators. Pressure gauge needle 1117 serves to read the pressure, and to point to the mode indicator. One area shown is the no pressure indicator 1120 printed on the dial face. The others are delivery mode indicator 1121, save mode indicator 1123, rejuvenate mode indicator 1126 and over pressure indicator 1130

Adaptions could include led lights or other markings to indicate mode.

Positions

FIGS. 13a_c shows the volumetric displacement device 200 in various positions.

Neck Down Position

FIG. 13a shows the volumetric displacement device 200 in a neck down position. The volumetric displacement device is shown standing on its bottom closure feet. The neck down position has the wonderful capability to never allow CO2 to escape the system, and to do so without a pickup tube. Since the CO2 bubble will always be away from the point of exit of usable material till the usable material is used up, there will never be a loss of CO2 which is always ready to rejuvenate any beverage that has lost any of it's CO2.

The delivery point of the usable material **944** that is away from the CO2 gas bubble, so CO2 won't exit container.

The volumetric displacement device in the neck down position has no need for a pickup tube 930, as is shown in FIG. 13a. In this position, since the CO2 gas bubble is near the usable material passageway 902 opening if it doesn't have a pickup tube, a pickup tube is installed so that CO2 gas is not expelled during delivery.

Neck Horizontal Position

FIG. 13b shows the volumetric displacement device 200 in a neck horizontal position. Horizontal is a preferred position in refrigerator. The volumetric displacement device is shown resting on its side closure feet. The neck horizontal position has the capability to never allow CO2 to escape the system, and to do so without a pickup tube. Since the CO2 bubble will always be away from the point of exit of usable material 944 till the usable material 944 is used up, there will never be a loss of CO2 which is always ready to rejuvenate any beverage that has lost any of it's CO2.

The volumetric displacement device in the horizontal position has feet which prevent the round container from rolling when that container is placed on its side whereby the container won't roll around in a refrigerator on a a counter top when put in a sideways position for convenient dispensation.

The closure has a flat spot on the side where it rests in the neck horizontal position that prevents the volumetric displacement device from rolling.

Neck Up Position

FIG. $\bar{13}c$ shows the volumetric displacement device 200 in a neck up positions. The container rests on its bell feet. This position is particularly useful for venting excess CO2 gas from the bottle.

32 Adaption

FIG. 14 shows a 3 to 2-liter adaptor 630, for three liter volumetric displacement device 200 to use two liter bottles. The adaptor is a short tube with 3 to 2-liter adaptor male threads 633 on the outside and 3 to 2-liter adaptor female 5 threads 636 on the inside. In this manner the 3 to 2-liter adaptor 630 can be engaged with the closure to bottle neck threads 460, and the conventional bottle neck threads 810 of a two liter bottle. In this way a single volumetric displacement device can use either 2 liter or 3 liter conventional soda 10 bottles. 3 to 2-liter screw driver slot 638 is formed in the 3 to 2-liter adaptor 630 so it can be tightened to the seal, or

A 2 liter has approximately a 78 inch diameter while 3 liter has approximately 1 316 internal diameter. The external 15 diameters are 1 18 inch and 1 12 inch respectively.

A 3 to 2-liter screw driver slot 638 allows removal of the adaptor with a coin.

Operation of the Preferred Embodiment

A bottle of soda, if partially consumed, will not store soda well. Even if the bottle is capped, the CO2 gas in the soda will leave the soda and go into the head space. If however, the sealed bottle is put under sufficient pressure externally, since 25 the container is flexible, the pressure will be transmitted to the carbonated beverage stored within the bottle. This is the concept behind the volumetric displacement device described as the PREFERRED embodiment. Pressure is applied to the bottle from compressed air, that is created by a compressor, 30 and pushed into a container that also holds the flexible bottle of soda. In this manner, the soda will be preserved.

A means for bi-directional transport of usable material between the environment and the usable material chamber 901 is provided. Usable material 944 is put into the bottle by 35 the bottling company. usable material 944 exists the volumetric displacement device through the usable material passageway 902 and usable material nozzle. A means for bi-directional transport of displacement matter 1000 between the environment and the displacement matter chamber 1001 is 40 provided via the displacement matter passageway 1002. With these transfers, the volumetric displacement device can be caused to maintain a full fill state which protects the soda. In this case, compressed air is considered to be displacement matter 1000.

A conventional flexible bottle of soda is opened and partially consumed. Some of the Soda is consumed before the device is put into the volumetric displacement device because if the bottle if full of soda, it will more easily over pressurize the displacement matter 1000. The bottle needs to be brought 50 to a low pressure to deliver soda that is not foamy and flat, and if the bottle is full of soda, it is difficult to lower the pressure.

The user removes the bell from the closure. With the bottle in an upright position, the user squeezes the bottle with their hand until all the air is removed from the bottle, and the level 55 displacement device would eventually run out of charge. of soda comes up the neck of the bottle till it is at the top lip. The user then screws the closure onto the bottle neck, engaging the bottle neck threads and the closure to bottle neck threads. The user rotates the closure relative to the bottle so that the closure is screwed onto the bottle securely, and tightly 60

The user puts the closure on its feet so that the volumetric displacement device will be in the neck down position. The bell is then screwed tightly onto the closure engaging the bell to closure threads and the closure to bell threads. Silicon 65 grease may be put on the seal between the bell and the closure to ensure a good seal. The power switch is turned on. The Save

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Mode toggle is set to save mode. With charged batteries in the volumetric displacement device the pressure will come up to save mode pressure. The compressor automatically turns off when save mode pressure is reached. The volumetric displacement device may now be stored in the refrigerator. The flexible bottle will collapse under the pressure of the air. Soda will completely fill the bottle as conditions of temperature and pressure are appropriate. The volumetric displacement device will be in a full fill state with displacement matter 1000, compressed air, and beverage completely filling the container. In this condition, CO2 gas can not leave the beverage, and the beverage is preserved.

When the user a serving of soda from the volumetric displacement device, she may either use the volumetric displacement device right in the refrigerator or take it out to use on the counter. The volumetric displacement device is put into either the neck horizontal or the neck down position. The user turns of the Save Mode toggle and the power to the compressor battery. The user then presses the pressure release button to bring the pressure down to near Zero. Holding the usable material nozzle over a suitable drinking cup to put the soda in such as a drinking glass, the user opens the usable material nozzle and engages the delivery mode switch. The volumetric displacement device will gently pump out good soda for the user to drink.

When the user has enough, he closes the usable material nozzle and shuts of the delivery mode switch. He turns on the power to the compressor and engages the save mode switch once again, so that he volumetric displacement device may be returned to the refrigerator. The cycle may be repeated for more servings.

If the user notices a bubble of free CO2 above the beverage, she may turn on the power and engage the rejuvenate mode switch. When the pressure in the container reaches Rejuvenation pressure the compressor automatically shuts off. The user may then shake the volumetric displacement device, or let a little pressure out to reengage the compressor which will vibrate the CO2 back into the beverage. The user may store the beverage at rejuvenate mode pressure and let the CO2 gradually return to the beverage.

Beverage will rejuvenate at save mode pressure, but will rejuvenate faster at rejuvenate pressure.

If it is warm or if the bottle is too full of beverage, the user may need to remove some of the CO2 gas so that the volu-45 metric displacement device pressure can be dropped to delivery mode pressure. This over carbonation condition occurs when it is either too warm for the soda to hold all the gas, or there is too much soda in the bottle. To correct this problem, the user turns the volumetric displacement device to the neck up position, resting it on the bell feet. The excess CO2 gas can be vented out the usable material nozzle, along with any soda that was in the usable material external hose. After venting, the volumetric displacement device is used normally.

It would be expected that the batteries of the volumetric They are removed from the volumetric displacement device and put into a conventional battery charger. Charged batteries are returned to the volumetric displacement device to make it operate again. Because of the construction of the volumetric displacement device, CO2 gas need never be lost. Any gas that exits the beverage, remains in the container as long as delivery is done in the neck down or neck horizontal positions. Any CO2 gas that exists the beverage can be driven back into the flat soda using the pressure the volumetric displacement device can apply to the bottle with the displacement matter, compressed air. Displacement matter 1000 is pumped into a displacement matter chamber 1001, via a displacement

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matter passageway 1002, the displacement matter chamber 1001 separated from a usable material chamber 901 by a displacement partition. Under such displacement, usable material 944 is forced from the container out the usable material passageway 902.

As the pressure is applied, and the beverage removed, the bottle will be crushed. It will collapse to the point where most of the beverage is removed. To get the last bit of beverage out, the user drops the pressure in the volumetric displacement device, opens the bell, removes the bottle in the neck up position, and can then pour the remaining beverage out of the open bottle.

Sipper

The volumetric displacement device described can be used as a soda sipper. Instead of pouring the soda into a drinking 15 cup, the user may shoot the beverage directly into their mouth, making the volumetric displacement device serve as a sipper. Smaller units could be made to handle 16 ounce, 20 ounce, one liter or most any convenient sized flexible bottle. Conventional Compression Chamber Method

In this method, the usable material passageway 902 of the volumetric displacement device is not employed. The volumetric displacement device serves as a compression chamber or a conventional compression chamber can be used. The described three liter volumetric displacement device is used 25 to preserve a 2 liter or smaller conventional PET bottle which will fit into the container of the volumetric displacement device with the conventional cap on the soda bottle. The threads of the bottle neck do not engage the closure in this method. The bottle of soda is opened and partially consumed. 30 After finishing consumption, user squeezes bottle till no more air is inside the bottle, and fluid level comes up to top of the bottle. The bottle is capped and sealed with its conventional cap. The bottle is put into refrigerator for storage, or put into the volumetric displacement device, the volumetric displace- 35 ment device sealed, and put into refrigerator. When user wishes to consume more soda, he pressurizes the volumetric displacement device to save or rejuvenate mode until the CO2 gas goes back into the beverage. The bottle of carbonated soda is removed from the volumetric displacement device or 40 conventional pressure chamber. The cap is removed from the bottle. The soda can be poured out and consumed in the regular way. The save cycle can be repeated. Cleaning

The volumetric displacement device described may be 45 cleaned in special ways. Beverages spilled in the volumetric displacement device need to be cleaned out.

The usable material passageway 902 is cleaned by putting a cleaning agent such as soapy water into a bottle. The bottle is then installed in the volumetric displacement device in the 50 conventional way. Pumping the water out in any mode, including save and rejuvenate mode, cleans out the usable material passageway 902. The displacement matter passageway 1002 may also be cleaned by causing cleaning agent to enter the air inlet. This water will be pumped about the displacement matter passageway 1002 and its associated components including the compressor cylinder and piston seal.

The valves may be removed by taking out the valve screws. Valves and seats may then be cleaned with cleaning agents, and the valves reinstalled. Cooling

Air is forced through the compressor vent groves **455**, by the cooling fan **1257**. Breakage

The volumetric displacement device container consists of 65 two pieces, the bell 300 and the closure 400 where the closure is relatively heavy and the bell 300 is relatively light. When

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they separate under pressure, the gravitational inertia of the heavy piece would cause it to remain relatively motionless, while the light piece would be relatively large in relation to it's size, thereby not being a danger because it could not strike a person with considerable force, nor could it travel in the air very far because of air resistance to its motion.

Alternate Embodiment

Mechanical Linkage of Operational Flow Control

Internal Displacement Matter Chamber Variation

FIG. 15 shows an internal displacement partition embodiment of the volumetric displacement device 200i, internal displacement partition model. This embodiment functions in similar manner to the PREFERRED embodiment, however, the Displacement partition 820 is a flexible bag. It can be constructed of an aluminized polyester nylon laminate sheet such as made by Ludlow. This sheeting is extremely gas 20 impermeable, so as to hold the CO2 gas. The edges of patterns cut out can be sealed with a warm iron. The Displacement partition 820 is formed in the described manner with a small neck at the base which is left open. The displacement matter passageway 1002 of the preferred embodiment is changed so that there is only one entrance into the displacement matter chamber 1001. That entrance is at the base of the closure and runs into the neck of the bottle. Into that opening a Displacement partition bottle pipe barb 825 of metal is inserted and sealed. The Displacement partition 820 is secured to the Displacement partition bottle pipe 825 by placing the opening of the displacement partition over the Displacement partition bottle pipe 825 end. The joint is secured with plumbers goop and a Displacement partition clamp 830, a conventional hose

In use, the Displacement partition **820** is furled and inserted into a conventional bottle of soda **800**. The bottle is then screwed into the volumetric displacement device **200***i*. The device is ready to use in the same manner as the PRE-FERRED embodiment volumetric displacement device **200** Displacement Partition Valve

FIG. 23 shows a displacement partition valve 1700. One problem with displacement partitions is that if there is pressurize material within the flexible partition, if there is a leak or opening in the displacement matter passageway 1002 the pressurized displacement matter chamber 1001 can blow the displacement partition 820 out the displacement matter passageway 1002 rupturing the displacement partition 820. Also, the pressure of a carbonated beverage will force displacement matter 1000a water out the usable material passageway 902 making a mess.

FIG. 23 shows a displacement partition valve that solves this and other problems. Container 205, containment means with conventional bottle neck 805 and conventional bottle neck threads 810 has a displacement partition 820 of flexible material affixed in its usable material passageway 902. In the usable material chamber 901, is usable material 944, carbonated beverage, soda, beer. Displacement matter 1000a water, is in the displacement matter chamber 1001. A displacement partition valve 1700 is constructed by making a tough spot, thick spot 1710 on the displacement partition 820. The tough spot, thick spot 1710 is positioned in such a manner that if the displacement partition 820 where to have excess pressure in it, it would blow it self up so that he tough spot, thick spot 1710 would cover the opening in the displacement matter passageway 1002, and seals the displacement matter passageway 1002. Further more, the end of the displacement matter passageway 1002 has displacement matter screen, grid 1735

over the opening to further assist the displacement partition from exiting the container. Another gridscreen, a usable material chamber screen, grid 1740 is place over the opening to the usable material passageway 902. This would prevent pieces of the displacement partition from exiting the container in the 5 event of displacement partition 820 failure.

For example, the cap is inadvertently removed from the displacement matter passageway 1002. Water tries to rush out of the bottle as the displacement partition 820 expands. The pressure however, cause the displacement partition valve 1700 to close and catastrophe is averted. Tough spot 1710 can be formed by a thickening of the materials forming the displacement matter partition 820. It can be reinforced fibers, another material affixed to the displacement partition 820. If the material of the displacement partition is strong enough, the grid will hold it from breaking.

Volumetric Displacement Device Variation

It is beneficial to view the inner workings of the volumetric displacement device. Viewing ports can be provided into the 20 displacement matter chamber 1001, the bell, and into the closure itself, especially in the frame embodiment of the closure. Viewing ports can be made on both the Bell and on the Closure. The volumetric displacement device becomes more attractive when it's inner workings can be viewed. 25 Looking into the bell gives the user an idea as to how much beverage is left, allows for checking correct operation, and for trouble shooting as well as the esthetic advantages. The user doesn't have to wonder what's going on inside the container. It makes for easier operation. The user can check to see if a gas 30 bubble has developed.

The volumetric displacement device that is colored whereby, the device can color code for what it containers, the volumetric displacement device is more attractive. The volumetric displacement device and especially the Bell that is 35 clear and tinted with colored dyes or pigments, such that it will appear to have a color, yet the contents of the container inside are readily viewable.

Plurality of Bottles

FIG. 22 shows a volumetric displacement device with two 40 bottles 800 and two bells 300. The pictured embodiment functions exactly the same way the preferred embodiment functions, except that there are two delivery nozzles 920, one for each bottle 800. The closure 400d has exactly the same parts, except there are two of each part for the usable material passageways 902. A portion of the displacement mater passageway 1002 communicates between the two displacement matter chambers 1001. Save mode and Delivery Mode will be the same in both containers at the same time. Loading the bottles 800, is done by rotating the bottle rather than the 50 closure 400d.

A volumetric displacement device with two bottle is very convenient when two flavors of soda are desired, such as at a home bar that uses tonic and club soda. Small amounts of each can be delivered, while saving the rest for another time. 55 container that is clear and tinted with colored dyes or pig-Volumetric Devices with space for more bottles could be developed.

Container Variation

The walls of the container or insulation of any previously described device can be double walled to provide insulating 60 layer internally, such as air evacuated space. That is the internal evacuated space can be like a thermos or thermopane window, evacuated argon, nitrogen or other gas.

Container can be composed of multilayer plastic.

Container of can be of PET plastic. Clear can go beyond 65 bell, to entire container. Clarity gives user a "fuel gauge" to amount left. Allows for checking correct operation. Trouble

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shooting, Esthetics. The user doesn't have to wonder what's going on inside the container. Easier operation. Can check if gas bubble has developed.

Bell Variation

FIG. 17a shows a hemispherical bell 320. This bell formed in exactly the same manner as the preferred bell 300 has one difference. Instead of receiving bell feet 310, it has a hemispherical top. This would prevent the user from standing this bell in the neck up position.

FIG. 17b show a heavy bell 300b, that is made from heavier plastic such as might be found on a conventional water filter housing used in household plumbing applications. The bell 300b has a bell viewing port 350, a piece of clear plastic affixed to the inside of bell 300b at a hole formed in the bell 300b

A bell could be made in many thicknesses. Possibilities include less than 10, or 20 or 30 or 40 or 50 or 60 or 70 or 80 or 90 or 100 Mils thickness or greater than 100 Mil thickness. Ovaloid shape of bell helps the strength at any thickness.

Material of Bell can be plastic, metal, ceramic, glass applicable. Resin fibers, resins, can be employed. Lexan, poly carbonate, kevlar, carbon fibers, PET, HDPE, LDPE can be

A multilayer bell of different materials can be employed which has safety features, heat insulating properties, blankets to protect under bursting and other features.

The thickness can be the same as conventional PET bottle, or somewhat thicker or thinner as different options. It is a pet bottle, with a limited internal pressure, a screw on closure, with vent groves in the threads.

It is light weight and of the same material, similar construction, and similar thicknesses. In all, if the original bottle is safe, the new container based on construction similar should also be safe.

The thickness of the bell can vary for various reasons. For example, thin right next to the threads, so it breaks under excess pressure at the base near the mouth. A bell thick near threads or thinner as you go up stays more rigid during twisting on. It can also be thicker at top near hemisphere of top, so it can be turned from top.

Bell can be a thermos liner.

An opaque bell, can have a clear window set into it, instead 45 of a completely clear bell. This allows opaque plastics to be used while the user is still able to view the bottle inside the container. This is important, as the user gets a great deal of information from being able to view the inside of the container as well as esthetic delight. The user can tell if rejuvenate mode is needed, if they see a gas bubble on the soda. They can tell how much soda is left. They can tell if the volumetric displacement device is leaking. They can tell if the volumetric displacement device is jammed for some reason.

A bell can be made that is transparent but color tinted. A ments, will appear to have a color, yet the contents of the bottle inside are readily viewable.

The bell material can be colored, whereby the contents of the bottle is coded for. A container for a volumetric displacement device that is colored lets the device color code for what it containers and the volumetric displacement device is more attractive.

An ovaloid cylindrical container having hemispherical ends, radius of hemisphere substantially equal to radius of main cylinder is constructed in similar fashion to the PRE-FERRED embodiment. Bell top can be formed that is domed at the top.

Closure Variation, FRAME

FIG. 16 shows a cross sectional view of a frame closure using hoses instead of passageways, and thin ovaloid closure lining.

FIG. **16***a* shows a perspective view of an ovaloid frame 5 closure lining.

The frame variation of the closure is constructed to minimize the use of plastic in the closure, and to provide an ultra save embodiment. Of particular not is the closure 400c, frame closure is hollow to accept the parts mounted on its frame- 10 work. An ovaloid closure lining 440 constructed of plastic is mounted to the closure 400c. FIG. 16 a shows this closure lining 440 in more detail. The remaining parts of the closure are similar to the PREFERRED embodiment. A major difference is that the passageways bored into closure 400 of the 15 PREFERRED embodiment are replaced with displacement matter hose 1005 and is secured with hose clamp 906 at each end point of the hose. The hose runs the same places that the previous bored passageways ran, but now secured with hose barbs, hose clamps, and convention barbed T's where junc- 20 tions are needed. Instead of having a compressor cylinder bored out of the plastic, a conventional compressor assembly 1200a is mounted in the closure 400c. Suitable 12V compressors are commonly available for use in automotive tire application. They have a hose connected to them that will serve as 25 a displacement matter hose 1005. The compressor contains internally a displacement matter intake valve 1025 and a displacement matter compressor exhaust valve 1030 so these parts are eliminated from the responsibility of the maker of this closure 400c. closure lining bottle neck thread housing 30 **441** serves to hold the bottle **800** by its threads. A displacement matter passageway quick fit valve 1045 conventional tire valve is attached to a hole in the closure lining 440. A displacement matter hose 1005 connects here to communicate the displacement matter chamber 1001 with the various 35 parts that manage the compressed air, displacement matter 1000. The voids in the closure 400c are filled with closure insulation 410 which can be foam or other types of insulation to provide sound and vibration deadening. A clear closure viewing port 450 is provided so that the user can see into the 40 workings of the volumetric displacement device. A closure cover 405, frame closure cover is used to seal the bottom of the closure.

One advantage of the frame closure **400***c* is that the thin closure lining **440** will not shatter if ruptured. It is light weight 45 and will merely split if too much pressure is applied to it. Another advantage is that this closure will have enhanced sound and vibration characteristics as a result of the insulation it container. It will be quieter when running. A sound proof internal chamber for the compressor can be created.

The ovaloid surface of the closure is can be of a metallic reflective or otherwise decorative surface on the top of the closure, surface next to bottle to reflect it for better diagnostic viewing and Esthetics

The neck of the bottle, near neck is attractive to view 55 through plastic. The viewing window can show the bottle neck area. The more of the bottle you see, the prettier it is. A clear closure device allows more viewing of the container. Top of bottle, near neck is attractive to view through plastic. A Clear Closure allows user to view workings of systems. The 60 closure incorporating at least one point of clear material such as PET, gives the user a view of the interior of the closure whereby the user has the ability to view the operation for trouble shooting, error conditions, fouling and Esthetics.

The closure lining **440** at bottle side of closure that is bottle 65 shaped provides minimum air to compress. Ovaloid shape to bottle side of closure shape allows thin plastic.

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The ovaloid closure or ovaloid closure surface can be thin, light weight, disposable, inexpensive, relatively strong in relation to it's weight especially as it assumes the functionality of containing pressure.

A high point for displacement matter passageway 1002 protection elevation tube out of the drink, and provides minimum air to compress. A conventional pressure safety release valves may be installed in the closure, in the bell container cover. A point of intake high on the closure ELB space, to prevent the intake of sugar water on an error condition. The conventional tire valve is mounted at a point where a small leakage of soda into the container won't go into the displacement matter passageway 1002 and foul it. This solves the problem of sugar syrup jamming the pressure safety valves. If said valves clog up for one reason or another, the light weight ovaloid closure would rupture in a controlled fashion. This closure could have premolded rip seams in it designed to rip at a given pressure. The light weight closure ovaloid could be readily replaceable as well.

The best weak link in the container, save the release valves, might be the interior surface of the closure body, which can be constructed in ovaloid, hemispherical, egg, shape of relatively thin material, that interior surface adjacent to the container. This surface shall be weaker than the bell. Rupture of this surface will cause the air to blow into and through vents of the compressor body, and not into the environment where humans might be present. The same philosophy will be applied to the hand pump model, so that breaks break into an enclosed area. There can be rip panels located in the closure, that break in controlled fashion as was discussed with the bell.

The closure lining can be light or heavy weight. In essence, the closure can become the weakest part of the container. This can be beneficial, because it means that any bursting of the container due to excessive pressure, can be forced to occur, at the closure piece. By making the bell thicker, and stronger, the closure member made of light weight material in an ovaloid shape, become the weak link. A closure liner becomes this weakest spot, so that if it breaks, any pieces that could fly would be trapped by the closure cover. The closure cover can be attached to the closure itself in a variety of means including screws, glue, fasteners, and other means. Junction and Junction Variations

FIG. 18a shows a cross sectional view of the junction between bell and closure 400. Parts in this figure have already been introduced. It can be seen that a tight junction is made between the bell lip 710 which is the end point of the bell plastic and the bell to closure seal 750, which seals tightly to the closure 400. Also shown is the bell mouth 705

FIG. 18b shows a snap fit junction, 790. A snap fit bell 300a, is formed of PET plastic with a bell snap lip 725. Closure 400a, snap fit closure is formed of PET plastic with a closure snap lip 745. A bell to closure snap seal 750a is formed of a rubber like material and used to seal the junction between the bell 300a and the closure 400a.

To operate the snap fit junction **790**, the operator simply presses the bell into the closure until it snaps into place. Internal pressure expanding the container will help seal the junction and keep it tight. To open the junction, the operator presses the bell side and bell snap lip **725** inward until the bell **300***a* can be released from the closure **400***a*.

FIG. 18c shows variations of the volumetric displacement device presented in FIG. 21 in which the displacement matter passageway 1002 and the usable material passageway 902 are detachable and the junction can be located in different places. It can be seen that the Junction translates position along the container longitudinal axis 260.

displacement device 200b by opening the usable material valve 920 and pumping small amounts of air into the tire valve.

Cap Piercing

FIG. 19 shows a cap piercing volumetric displacement

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FIGS. 18d, e, f, g, h, i depict a variation on the connection means for the general closure 400d and the bell 300. general closure 400d or bell 300 has 730 or bell threads formed as part of it's construction. A large diameter nut 760 is employed to secure general closure 400d and bell 300 tightly together. A 5 gasket bell to closure V-gasket 750b or bell to closure T-gasket seal 750c is employed to complete the seal, and seal grease 755 can be employed for a better seal. bell to closure V-gasket **750**b and bell to closure T-gasket seal **750**c are self sealing gaskets, in that when pressure is applied to them, they press harder onto the junction surfaces, thus make the contact and seal stronger and more resistant to leakage. Bell to closure V-gasket 750b tends to open as pressure is applied, thus pressing harder onto general closure 400d and bell 300. Bell $_{15}$ to closure T-gasket seal 750c also presses hard onto the surfaces it is sealing.

Detachable passageways.

FIG. 21 shows a volumetric displacement device 200a with a detachable usable material passageway and a detachable 20 displacement matter passageway 1002. The bell 300 used in this embodiment is the same bell as used in the PREFERRED embodiment, volumetric displacement device 200. It has bell feet 310, and bell to closure threads 701. A closure 400a, quick connect closure, is formed of flexible PET plastic. 25 Formed into the closure 400a are closure to bottle neck threads 460, closure to bell threads 730, and closure to usable material 944 quick fit valve threads 463. The bell 300 is secured to the closure utilizing a bell to closure seal 750. A bottle 800, conventional PET soda bottle is screwed to closure 30 400a utilizing a closure to bottle neck seal 610, by conventional bottle neck threads 810. Screwed onto the closure to usable material 944 quick fit valve threads 463, and glued is the usable material passageway quick fit valve 925, which is a conventional cornelious keg valve and seal.

A conventional usable material passageway quick fit connect 927, designed to fit a cornelious keg style connector, attaches to a usable material external hose 910 which connects to a usable material 944 valve 920, conventional carbonated beverage delivery valve nozzle. A displacement matter passageway 1002 quick fit valve 1045, conventional tire valve with washer and nut is attached into an appropriately placed hole in the closure 400*b*.

An ovaloid container has been constructed in that the bell 300 and closure 400b were formed in a shape so that together 45 they form an ovaloid shaped container. A conventional tire pump 1280, conventional hand air pump, of any sort, or one powered either with human, battery, electric or other energy can be quickly fit to the tire valve.

Alternatively, the tire valve could be replaced with other 50 types of quick connector fittings such as cornelious fitting or those found on conventional compressor pressure hoses. The usable material fitting also would be replaceable with other types of quick fitting pressure connectors.

In use, the user puts a bottle of soda into the volumetric displacement device **200***b* in much the same manner as she puts the bottle into the preferred embodiment. The user then has the option of blowing up the volumetric displacement device **200***b* at the tire valve to save mode pressure. While in save mode, the volumetric displacement device **200***b* is stored in the refrigerator. The user uses a conventional tire valve depressor **1085** to release pressure in the volumetric displacement device **200***b* to create a delivery mode. Alternatively, the a user pressure release valve could be installed into the closure

The user attaches the usable material passageway 902 quick fit connect 927, and can take soda from the volumetric

FIG. 19 shows a cap piercing volumetric displacement device 200p. The construction is the same as the preferred embodiment, except as follows. A modified ovaloid piercing closure lining 440b is formed of PET plastic. A displacement matter passageway quick fit valve 1040 is attached to the ovaloid piercing closure lining 440b. A cap piercing member 950, a hollow tube of steel with a sharp point and with left handed cap piercing member cap threads 955 and cap piercing member closure threads 951 is firmly threaded into, sealed and secured to the ovaloid piercing closure lining 440b. A usable material external hose 910, attached with a usable material valve 920 is secured to the cap piercing member 950 with a hose clamp 916.

To use volumetric displacement device 200p a conventional PET soda bottle 800 is tightly sealed with a conventional bottle cap 945. The user takes the bell off the ovaloid piercing closure lining 440b and screws the bottle 800 in a counter clockwise manner onto the cap piercing member cap threads 955. The reason for screwing on in a counter clockwise manner, is to more firmly tighten the cap on the bottle 800, and to keep it on. The bottle 800 will be firmly attached to the closure lining 440b as the bottle 800 seals against closure to bottle neck piercing seal 610b. The cap piercing volumetric displacement device 200p is

Alternatively in operation, the user may remove the cap from the bottle, pour some of the soda out, squeeze the bottle to remove all air, and then replace the cap before putting the bottle into the volumetric displacement device **200***p*. This will help to prevent over pressurization of the volumetric displacement device **200***p*.

Refrigerator Power Access

FIGS. **20***a-g* shows how power could be delivered to a volumetric displacement device from the exterior of a conventional refrigerator to the interior of the refrigerator. If the volumetric displacement device is placed in a refrigerator, the user might not want to keep changing its batteries or recharging the batteries outside the refrigerator. He can accomplish this objective by running the power into the refrigerator and connecting it to the volumetric displacement device.

FIG. 20a shows a thru refrigerator ribbon conductor 1600a. It has a ribbon connector 1617 attached to either end, one of which connects to a battery charger 1635 the other to a volumetric displacement device rack 1665. The volumetric displacement device rack 1665 holds the volumetric displacement device 200 and makes electrical contact to it through volumetric displacement device to battery charger contacts 1465 and battery recharge to volumetric displacement device contacts 1460 thereby providing power to the battery to keep it charged.

The ribbon conductor **1600***a* is bonded to the body of the refrigerator body **1600** at the edge where the door gasket **1655** makes contact as show in FIGS. **20***b* and **20***c*. FIG. **20***d* shows how the thru refrigerator ribbon conductor **1600***a* is constructed. Note that the electrical insulator **1615** that houses the electrical conductor **1610** at its edges is tapered to allow the door gasket **1655** to seal to the refrigerator body **1650**. It is also note that voltage in the refrigerator ribbon conductor **1600***a* is low, around 12 v in this embodiment, to keep it safe.

FIG. **20***e-f* shows another way to get electricity into a conventional refrigerator body **1650**. A hole is bored somewhere in the body of the refrigerator to accept a refrigerator

through tube exterior 1620 and a refrigerator through tube interior 1621 formed of plastic, which have refrigerator through tube threads 1622 to hold them together. Through the refrigerator through tube exterior 1620 and a refrigerator through tube interior 1621 pass electrical conductors 1610, which in this case are insulated wires. The interior of the refrigerator through tube interior 1621 is then packed with through tube insulation 1625 which is standard spay in insulation that hardens after spraying. Connections are made in similar fashion to those described for the thru refrigerator ribbon conductor 1600a.

FIG. 20g shows another way power can be delivered to the volumetric displacement device. The light in the refrigerator refrigerator light 1670, is removed, and a refrigerator light $_{15}$ socket adaptor 1673 is screwed into the refrigerator light socket 1672. The conventional installed light switch at the door of the refrigerator is disabled by shorting it out, or cutting it off. This forces the light circuit to remain on for the battery charger which is plugged into the refrigerator light 20 socket adaptor 1673. The refrigerator light socket adaptor 1673 is wired to a auxiliary door switch 1680, as second door switch that is mounted between the refrigerator body 1650 and the refrigerator door gasket 1655 when closed. This circuit now controls the refrigerator light while the refrigerator 25 light 1670 screwed into the refrigerator light socket adaptor 1673 operates with the auxiliary door switch 1680. FIG. 20g also shows refrigerator clips 1640, which allows the rack battery charger 1675, a rack that will hold the volumetric displacement device 200 and a battery charger at the same time to mount securely to a rack in a conventional refrigerator.

If the battery is discharged or removed to make a version without batteries, the power supply will run the volumetric displacement device **200** with batteries or not for all embodiment discussed in FIG. **20***a*-*g*.

CONCLUSION, RAMIFICATIONS, AND SCOPE OF INVENTION

The reader can see that a volumetric displacement device has been constructed that is extremely light, small, safe, attractive, easy to use, and energy efficient. It can use battery power, has an Ovaloid shape that can be constructed of thin plastics, and operates in various positions that eliminate the 45 need for a pickup tube. A consistent problem with soda savers, in that they destroy carbonated beverages by delivering them in a violent manner, has been solved by utilizing a low pressure delivery mode. The volumetric displacement device can be used for most any carbonated beverage. This volumetric displacement device will be inexpensive to produce. The volumetric displacement device delivers soda out a nozzle that is easy to use.

The described volumetric displacement device functions a carbonated beverage saver and dispenser. Carbonated soft 55 drinks in bottles stay carbonated even after the contents of the bottle is partially consumed. While the above description contains many specificity, these should not be construed as limitations on the scope of the invention, but rather as exemplification of a few embodiment thereof. Many other variations are possible.

For example, any of the embodiment contained herein could include an electric cooling apparatus such is now found on wine cooler, and ice chests.

Accordingly, the scope of the invention should not be 65 determined by the embodiment, but by the appended claims and their legal equivalents.

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I claim:

- 1. A volumetric displacement device comprising:
- (a) an outer containment means, and
- (b) a displacement partition located substantially within said outer containment means so as to form two distinct chambers, a displacement matter chamber and a usable material chamber, and
- (c) a means for bi-directional transport of usable material between the environment and said usable material chamber, and
- (d) a means for bi-directional transport of displacement matter between the environment and said displacement matter chamber, and wherein
- (e) said displacement matter is a compressed gas, and
- (f) said volumetric displacement device is designed to accept a flexible bottle as said displacement partition, and further comprising
- (g) a junction separating said outer containment means into a bell and a closure, said junction having an inside diameter large enough to accommodate passage through said junction of the largest outside diameter of said flexible bottle designed to fit said volumetric displacement device, and
- (h) a usable material valve means for controlling said bidirectional transport of said usable material, and
- (i) a usable material valve actuation means for actuating said usable material valve means, and
- (j) a displacement matter forcing means for forcing said displacement matter into said displacement matter chamber, and
- (k) one or more members selected from a separable outer containment means group consisting of said bell with an interior surface shape that is a section of an ovaloid shape that may be cut or sectioned from a complete ovaloid shape, said closure with an interior surface shape that is a section of an ovaloid shape that may be cut or sectioned from a complete ovaloid shape, said bell with an exterior surface shape that is a section of an ovaloid shape that may be cut or sectioned from a complete ovaloid shape, and said closure with an exterior surface shape that is a section of an ovaloid shape that may be cut or sectioned from a complete ovaloid shape.
- 2. A volumetric displacement device comprising:
- (a) an outer containment means, and
- (b) a displacement partition located substantially within said outer containment means so as to form two distinct chambers, a displacement matter chamber and a usable material chamber, and
- (c) a means for bi-directional transport of usable material between the environment and said usable material chamber, and
- (d) a means for bi-directional transport of displacement matter between the environment and said displacement matter chamber, and wherein
- (e) said displacement matter is a compressed gas, and
- (f) said volumetric displacement device is designed to accept a flexible bottle as said displacement partition, and further comprising
- (g) a junction separating said outer containment means into a bell and a closure, said junction having an inside diameter large enough to accommodate passage through said junction of the largest outside diameter of said flexible bottle designed to fit said volumetric displacement device, and
- (h) one or more members selected from a separable outer containment means group consisting of said bell with an interior surface shape that is a section of an ovaloid

- shape that may be cut or sectioned from a complete ovaloid shape, said closure with an interior surface shape that is a section of an ovaloid shape that may be cut or sectioned from a complete ovaloid shape, said bell with an exterior surface shape that is a section of an ovaloid 5 shape that may be cut or sectioned from a complete ovaloid shape, and said closure with an exterior surface shape that is a section of an ovaloid shape that may be cut or sectioned from a complete ovaloid shape.
- 3. The volumetric displacement device of claim 2 wherein 10 members selected from said separable outer containment means group consisting of said bell and said closure is deflected more than one millimeter when a perpendicular force of three kilograms is applied to some point on the external surface of said containment means group member 15 while said bell is separated from said closure.
- 4. The volumetric displacement device of claim 1 wherein said outer containment means is formed from a clear material.
- 5. The volumetric displacement device of claim 1 wherein said outer containment means is formed from PET plastic.
- 6. The volumetric displacement device of claim 1 wherein said outer containment means is formed from stretch radial blow molded PET plastic.
- 7. The volumetric displacement device of claim 1 further comprising a 'V' shaped gasket in said junction between said 25 bell and said closure.
- 8. The volumetric displacement device of claim 1 further comprising a snap fit junction between said bell and said closure.
 - 9. A volumetric displacement device comprising:
 - (a) an outer containment means, and
 - (b) a displacement partition located substantially within said outer containment means so as to form two distinct chambers, a displacement matter chamber and a usable material chamber, and
 - (c) a means for bi-directional transport of usable material between the environment and said usable material chamber, and
 - (d) a means for bi-directional transport of displacement matter between the environment and said displacement 40 matter chamber, and
 - (e) a usable material valve means for controlling said bidirectional transport of said usable material, and
 - (f) a usable material valve actuation means for actuating said usable material valve means, and
 - (g) a displacement matter forcing means for forcing said displacement matter into said displacement matter chamber, and
 - (h) a displacement matter removal means for substantially lowering the internal pressure in said usable material 50 chamber, and
 - (i) a displacement matter removal actuation means for actuating said displacement matter removal means, and
 - (j) a bi-directional displacement matter removal actuation linking means linking the actuation of said displacement 55 matter removal means with the actuation of said usable material valve means.
- 10. The volumetric displacement device of claim 9 wherein said displacement matter removal actuation linking means is electronic.

- 11. The volumetric displacement device of claim 9 wherein said displacement partition is a bottle.
- 12. The volumetric displacement device of claim 9 wherein said displacement matter removal means provides for the removal of a substantial portion of said displacement matter 65 from said volumetric displacement device prior to the removal of said usable material.

- 13. A volumetric displacement device comprising:
- (a) an outer containment means, and
- (b) a displacement partition located substantially within said outer containment means so as to form two distinct chambers, a displacement matter chamber and a usable material chamber, and
- (c) a means for bi-directional transport of usable material between the environment and said usable material chamber, and
- (d) a means for bi-directional transport of displacement matter between the environment and said displacement matter chamber, and
- (e) a usable material valve means for controlling said bidirectional transport of said usable material, and
- (f) a usable material valve actuation means for actuating said usable material valve means, and
- (g) a displacement matter forcing means for forcing said displacement matter into said displacement matter chamber, and
- (h) a displacement matter forcing actuation means for actuating said displacement matter forcing means, and
- (i) a bi-directional displacement matter forcing actuation linking means linking the actuation of said displacement matter forcing means with the actuation of said usable material valve means.
- 14. The volumetric displacement device of claim 13 where said displacement matter forcing usable material valve actuation linking means is electronic.
- 15. The volumetric displacement device of claim 13 wherein said displacement partition is a bottle.
- 16. The volumetric displacement device of claim 13 where said valve actuation linking means is actuated with a user intent sensing means.
 - 17. A volumetric displacement device comprising:
 - (a) an outer containment means, and
 - (b) a displacement partition located substantially within said outer containment means so as to form two distinct chambers, a displacement matter chamber and a usable material chamber, and
 - (c) a means for bi-directional transport of usable material between the environment and said usable material chamber, and
 - (d) a means for bi-directional transport of displacement matter between the environment and said displacement matter chamber, and
 - (e) a usable material valve means for controlling said bidirectional transport of said usable material, and
 - (f) a usable material valve actuation means for actuating said usable material valve means, and
 - (g) a displacement matter forcing means for forcing said displacement matter into said displacement matter chamber, and
 - (h) a displacement matter forcing actuation means for actuating said displacement matter forcing means, and
 - (i) a displacement matter removal means for substantially lowering the internal pressure in said usable material chamber, and
 - (j) a displacement matter removal actuation means for actuating said displacement matter removal means, and
 - (k) a bi-directional displacement matter forcing displacement matter removal actuation linking means linking the actuation of said displacement matter forcing means with the actuation of said usable material valve means.

- 18. A volumetric displacement device comprising:
- (a) an outer containment means, and
- (b) a displacement partition located substantially within said outer containment means so as to form two distinct chambers, a displacement matter chamber and a usable material chamber, and
- (c) a means for bi-directional transport of usable material between the environment and said usable material chamber, and
- (d) a means for bi-directional transport of displacement matter between the environment and said displacement matter chamber, and
- (e) a usable material valve means for controlling said bi- 15 directional transport of said usable material, and
- (f) a usable material valve actuation means for actuating said usable material valve means, and
- (g) a displacement matter forcing means for forcing said 20 displacement matter into said displacement matter chamber, and
- (h) a usable material check valve means for preventing the actuation of said usable material valve means.

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- 19. A volumetric displacement device comprising:
- (a) an outer containment means, and
- (b) a displacement partition located substantially within said outer containment means so as to form two distinct chambers, a displacement matter chamber and a usable material chamber, and
- (c) a means for bi-directional transport of usable material between the environment and said usable material chamber, and
- (d) a means for bi-directional transport of displacement matter between the environment and said displacement matter chamber, and
- (e) a usable material valve means for controlling said bidirectional transport of said usable material, and
- (f) a usable material valve actuation means for actuating said usable material valve means, and
- (g) a displacement matter forcing means for forcing said displacement matter into said displacement matter chamber, and
- (h) a user intent sensing means selected from a sensor group consisting of cap switch, tip sensor and motion sensor, and wherein the actuation of said user intent sensing means actuates members from said fluid control group.

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